

Statement of Deficiencies

1507.A.: Daily Attendance Records - Children

Not Met

1507.A.: A daily attendance record for children shall be maintained that shall:

1. include the child's first and last name, arrival and departure times, and first and last name of person or entity to whom the child is released;
2. accurately reflect children on the center premises at any given time; and
3. be used to sign in and out if a child leaves and returns to the center during the day.

Finding:

1507.A.1.: Daily Attendance Records - Children: Based on record review: Specialist reviewed the daily attendance log for children from 3/4/2019 to 4/11/2019, and the log did not include the last name of all children listed on the log for all dates reviewed, the time of children's departure 17 times, the name of the person to whom the child was released to 21 times, and the complete first and last name of the person or entity to whom the child was released to 94 times.

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: Child to Staff Ratio

Not Met

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: A. Child to staff ratios are established to ensure the safety of all children.

B. Minimum child to staff ratios shall be met at all times.

1. There shall be a minimum of two staff members present at an early learning center when more than one child is present.
2. Only those staff members directly providing care, supervision or guidance to children shall be counted in the child to staff ratios.

D. Minimum Child to Staff Ratios for Type II and Type III centers:

Ages of Children	Ratio
Infants under 1 year	5:1
1 year	7:1
2 years	11:1
3 years	13:1
4 years	15:1
5 years	19:1
6 years and up	23:1

G. Mixed Age Groups - Minimum Child to Staff Ratios

1. An average of the child to staff ratios may be applied to mixed age groups of children ages 2, 3, 4 and 5
2. Child to staff ratios for children under age two are excluded from averaging.
3. When a mixed age group includes children younger than age two, the age of the youngest child determines the child to staff ratio for the group.
4. An average may be applied to a mixed age group consisting only of children ages 5 and older.

Finding:

1711.A.B.D.&G.: Child to Staff Ratio: Based on observation: The Provider failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children at all times as evidenced, during lunch, Specialist observed S5 walk out of the classroom where S2 and fourteen 2-4 year old children were present. S5 walked out of the room and into the kitchen to the fill a cup to provide to a child. The minimum child to staff ratio for the mixed age group is 13 children to 1 staff. The room required both staff to be present at all times to remain within minimum child to staff ratio.

1723.A.&B.: CPR Certification

Not Met

1723.A.&B.: A. Infant and child CPR. Fifty percent of staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children, or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, shall have current certification in infant and child CPR through training approved by the department.

B. Adult CPR. Fifty percent of staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children, or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, shall have current certification in adult CPR through training approved by the department.

Finding:

1723.A.: CPR Certification: Based on record review/interview: S1 did not have documentation that at least fifty percent (50%) of all staff on the premises and accessible to the children or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, have current certification in infant and child CPR through training approved by the department. Specialist reviewed staff records and the Center had 1 of 5 staff present with documentation of this certification. S1 would need one additional staff person to meet minimum requirement of 50% of staff of the premises certified in CPR. S1 states she completed an online course, but still needs to complete the in house skills test before certification is complete.

1723.C.: Pediatric First Aid

Not Met

1723.C.: Pediatric First Aid. Fifty percent of staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children, or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, shall have current certification in pediatric first aid through training approved by the department.

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Finding:

1723.C.: Pediatric First Aid: Based on record review/interview: S1 did not have documentation that at least fifty percent (50%) of all staff on the premises and accessible to the children or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, have current certification in Pediatric First Aid through training approved by the department. Specialist reviewed staff records and the Center had 1 of 5 staff present with documentation of this certification. S1 would need one additional staff person to meet minimum requirement of 50% of staff of the premises certified in Pediatric First Aid. S1 states she completed an online course, but still needs to complete the in house skills test before certification is complete.

1725.A.-C.: Medication Management Training

Not Met

1725.A.-C.: A. All staff members who administer medication shall have medication administration training.
B. Whether the center is administering medication or not, each early learning center shall have at least two staff members trained in medication administration and at least one on the premises. A staff member who is a licensed practical nurse (LPN) or registered nurse (RN) with a valid nursing license shall be considered to have medication administration training.
C. Such training shall be completed every two years with an approved child care health consultant.

Finding:

1725.B.: Medication Management Training: Based on record review: S1 did not have at least two staff members trained in medication administration whether the early learning center administers medication or not. S1 has current medication management training with an expiration for 4/2020, but lacks an additional staff person trained in medication management.

1901.A.4.: Appropriate Emergency Numbers

Not Met

1901.A.4.: Appropriate emergency numbers, including but not limited to numbers for the fire and police departments, nearby hospitals and medical centers, Louisiana Poison Control and Child Protective Services, and the physical address of the center, shall be prominently posted on or near each phone.

Finding:

1901.A.4. Based on observations/interview: Appropriate emergency numbers such as fire and police departments, nearby hospitals and medical centers, Louisiana Poison Control and Child Protective Services, and the physical address of the center shall be prominently posted on or near the telephone. Specialist observed that S1 did not have appropriate emergency numbers prominently posted near the Center's telephone. S1 stated she will correct.

1901.Q.: The Safety Box

Not Met

1901.Q.: The center shall post a copy of the current The Safety Box newsletter issued by the Louisiana Office of the Attorney General and shall immediately remove from the early learning premises any items listed as recalled.

Finding:

1901.Q. Based on observations/interview: S1 does not have a posted copy of the current 'The Safety Box' newsletter dated October-December 2018 issued by the Louisiana Office of the Attorney General. S1's 'The Safety Box' posted in the Center, during Specialist's visit on 4/11/2019, is expired with a date of January-March 2018. S1 stated her printer in the Center is broken, but will print the current issue and post a copy.

1903.C.: Free of Hazards

Not Met

1903.C.: Indoor and outdoor areas shall be free of hazards.

Finding:

1903.C. Free of Hazards: Based on observations: The outdoor play yard area was not free of hazards as Specialist observed 2 one inch nail tips exposed from a wooden board on the fence which surrounds the play yard. S1 corrected on the nail heads by bending it back into the wooden board. Specialist also observed 5 exposed screw tips where the wooden boards are separating from their attached area of fencing. All of the nail and screw tips were facing into the play yard where there were twenty 1-4 year old children playing on the play yard. Specialist observed two electric wall receptacles with out covers. The exposed receptacles are in the screened in porch area, where the children enter to access the play yard. S1 corrected during the exposed receptacles during the visit.

1907.A.1.&2.: High Chairs

Not Met

1907.A.1.&2.:

1. The high chair manufacturer's restraint device shall be used when children are sitting in a high chair.
2. Children who are either too small or too large to be restrained using the manufacturer's restraint device shall not be placed in a high chair.

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Finding:

1907.A.1.: High Chairs: Based on observation: The high chair manufacturer's restraint device was not used when children were sitting in a high chair as Specialist observed in S3's classroom, there were four 1-2 year old children sitting in high chairs, and the manufacturer's restraint device was not being used. S3 corrected by strapping all the children.

1909.G.: Infant - Bibs

Not Met

1909.G.: Bibs shall not be worn by any child while asleep.

Finding:

1909.G.: Infant - Bibs: Based on observations: During walk through of the Center, Specialist observed C1 wearing a bib while asleep in a crib in S4's room. S4 removed the bib at Specialist's request.

1911.I.&J.: Proper Lifting of a Child

Not Met

1911.I.&J.: I. Staff members shall adhere to proper techniques for lifting a child.
J. Staff members shall not lift a child by one or both arms.

Finding:

1911.I.&J.: Proper Lifting of a Child: Based on observation: Staff did not lift a child using proper lifting techniques. During a walk through of the Center, Specialist observed S2 in the bathroom/changing table area of the infant room, and as she held an infant in one arm, she used her other arm to pick C1 up by the elbow area of her arm, and lift her, while in a sitting position, out of the bathroom/changing table area.

1921.C.: Evacuation Pack

Not Met

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The center shall have an evacuation pack, the location of which is known to all staff, that at a minimum shall contain:

1. a list of area emergency phone numbers;
2. a list of emergency contact information and emergency medical authorization for all enrolled children;
3. an emergency pick up form;
4. first aid supplies, hand sanitizer, wet wipes, and tissue;
5. diapers for children who are not toilet trained and plastic bags for diapers;
6. a battery powered flashlight and radio and batteries or a crank flashlight and crank radio; and
7. disposable cups and bottled water.

Finding:

1921.C. Evacuation Pack: Based on observations/record review: S1's evacuation pack did not include a battery powered flashlight or crank flashlight. Specialist reviewed the list of emergency contact information, medical authorizations, and pick up form and it did not include a record of all the children enrolled in the Center.

1921.E.: Tornado Drills

Not Met

1921.E.: Tornado drills shall be conducted at least once per month in the months of March, April, May, and June at various times of the day necessary to include all children and shall be documented.

Finding:

1921.E. Tornado Drills: Based on record review: The provider's documentation of the Tornado drill conducted on 3/29/2019 was incomplete as the following was not noted, number of children present, the amount of time to evacuate the center, and any problems and corrections noted during the drill. Specialist requested to review documentation for Tornado drills completed for May and June of 2018 and S1 stated she did not have documentation to provide to Specialist.