

Statement of Deficiencies

7306-F: Discipline

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7306-F: The provider shall establish a policy in regard to methods of discipline. Any form of punishment that violates the spirit of this standard of discipline, even though it may not be specifically mentioned as forbidden, is prohibited. This written posted policy shall clearly state ALL types of positive discipline that are used and that the following methods of discipline are prohibited:

- No child shall be subject to physical punishment, corporal punishment, verbal abuse or threats.
- Cruel, severe, unusual, or unnecessary punishment shall not be inflicted upon children.
- Derogatory remarks shall not be made in the presence of children about family members of children in care or about the children themselves
- No child or group of children shall be allowed to discipline another child.
- When a child is removed from the group for disciplinary reasons, he shall never be out of sight of a staff member.
- No child shall be deprived of meals or snacks or any part thereof for disciplinary reasons.

Finding:

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7306-F Based on interview(s)/record review: Staff at the center used a prohibited method of discipline as a child was subjected to physical punishment. Findings Include:

*In a written statement S18 reported that on 4/23/12 some time after 2:00 pm an incident occurred on the bus where he observed S19 punch C1 in the thigh 3 times in order to discipline him for hitting another child seated next to him on the bus. In a verbal statement taken by S16, S19 stated she tapped C1 on the legs twice when disciplining him.
