# Statement of Deficiencies

## 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 Based on observations on 04/25/2018, S2 left the front classroom at 12:25 pm to prepare lunch in the kitchen leaving S1 supervising 15 children alone ages 3 months old to 4 years. S2 returned back into the room at 12:47 pm. There was 1 three month old, 1 six month old, 2 one yr olds, 4 two yr olds, 5 three yr olds, and 2 four yr olds.

### 1901-J.-K.: Items That Can be Harmful to Children

Not Met

1901-J.-K.: J. Items that can be harmful to children, such as medications, poisons, cleaning supplies and chemicals, and equipment, tools, knives and other potentially dangerous utensils, shall kept in a locked cabinet or other secure place that ensures they are inaccessible to children.

K. Plastic bags, when not in use, regardless of purpose or use, shall be made inaccessible to children.

### **Finding**

1901-J.-K. Based on observations on 04/25/2018, specialist observed 1 spray bottle of Great Value All Purpose Spray Cleaner on the back of the toilet in the children's restroom that was not kept in a locked cabinet or other secure place and made inaccessible to children. S1 removed prior to specialist departure.