

## Statement of Deficiencies

### 1103.A.-D.: Critical Incidents and Required Notifications

Not Met

1103.A.-D.: An early learning center shall make immediate notification to emergency personnel, law enforcement as applicable, and other appropriate agencies for the following types of critical incidents involving children in care:

1. death;
  2. serious injury or illness that required medical attention;
  3. a child left unsupervised for any amount of time;
  4. use of prohibited behavior management as described in § 1509.A.8.b;
  5. allegations or suspicion of child abuse or neglect by center staff;
  6. an accident involving the transportation of children; or
  7. any other significant event relating to the health, safety, or well-being of any child, including but not limited to a lost child, an emergency situation, fire or other structural damage, or closure of the center.
- B. The parent shall be contacted immediately following any immediate notifications made under Subsection A.
- C. The LDE and other appropriate agencies, such as DCFS, LDH and the Office of State Fire Marshal, as applicable, shall be notified via email within 24 hours of the incident.
- D. The department shall be notified by written report within 24 hours of the incident or the next business day. This written notification shall be made on the department's Critical Incidents Report Form and shall contain all information requested on the form.

#### Finding:

1713.A.&B.&C. Based on record review and interviews on 05/02/2023 at 2:00 p.m., S1 failed to have documentation of the following alleged critical incident being reported to the parents immediately and within 24 hours to the Department and to DCFS - Child Welfare: On 04/17/2023, S4 was not supervising the children in her classroom. S4 was seen with a blanket over her head, lying on the floor with S3, while the classroom's door was locked. According to S2, Parents, along with the Department and DCFS - Child Welfare were notified on 04/19/2023.

Corrective Action Plan: Effective 5/3/2023, S1 stated she will remind all staff that all appropriate agencies must be notified within 24 hours when S1 is absent, to ensure compliance with this regulation.