

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:

1103.C.. Based on record review at approximately 12:30 p.m. on 6/24/2022, S1 failed to notify Child Welfare of the following critical incident within 24 hours: On 6/14/2022, at 2:39 p.m., after yelling, throwing items, and cursing at staff, C1, 11-years-old, ran away from the center. Law Enforcement was called at O1, C1's parent, request and C1 was later identified at home by O1 via video recording. S1 stated she did not know how to make the report to Child Welfare. This could not be corrected during the inspection.

Corrective Action Plan: Effective 6/24/2022, S1 stated that she was going to reach out the Early Childhood network by 7/1/2022, to get instructions on how to contact Child Welfare to ensure compliance with this regulation.

1713.A.&B.&C.: Supervision

Not Met

1713.A.&B.&C.: A: Children shall be supervised at all times in the center, on the playground, on field trips, on non-vehicular excursions, and during all water activities and water play activities.

B: Children shall not be left alone in any room, (except the restroom as indicated in Subsection G of this Section or when being provided services by therapeutic professionals, as defined in §103), outdoors, or in vehicles, even momentarily, without staff present.

C: A staff person shall be assigned to supervise specific children whose names and whereabouts that staff person shall know and with whom the staff person shall be physically present. Staff shall be able to state how many children are in their care at all times.

Finding:

1713.A.&B.&C. Based on interview at approximately 1:15 p.m. on 6/24/2022, S1 failed to ensure children were supervised at all times on 6/14/2022. C1, 11-years-old, ran away from the center at 2:39 p.m. No staff followed him. Law enforcement was contacted at O1's, C1's mother, request at 2:45 p.m. C1 was observed by O1 at home at 3:30 p.m., via video recording. His whereabouts were unknown for 1 hour and 9 minutes. This could not be corrected during the inspection.

Corrective Action Plan: Effective 6/24/2022, S1 stated that she will contact the Fire Marshal to see if there is anything that she could make any changes to door by 7/8/2022, which will prevent children from leaving the center to ensure compliance with this regulation.

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1719.A.-C.: Orientation Training

Not Met

1719.A.-C.: A. Within seven calendar days of the first day present at the center, and prior to assuming sole responsibility for any children, each staff member shall receive center-specific orientation to the policies and practices of the center that at a minimum shall include information on the center:

1. child abuse identification and reporting, including phone numbers for mandatory reporting and suspected child abuse and neglect;
2. location of emergency exits and emergency preparedness plans;
3. handling of emergencies due to food/allergic reactions;
4. location of first-aid supplies;
5. list of children with allergies and special needs;
6. identification of critical staff including but not limited to staff trained in CPR and first aid and staff who can administer medicine;
7. child release policies and restrictions;
8. child-to-staff ratio policies;
9. daily schedules;
10. opening policy;
11. closing policy; and
12. transportation policy and vehicle inspection procedures.

B. Within seven calendar days of the first day present at the center, and prior to assuming sole responsibility for any children, each staff member shall complete the LDE Key Training Module 1 and the DCFS online Mandated Reporter Training. Key Training Module 1 shall at a minimum include information on the following:

1. general emergency preparedness, including natural disasters and man-caused events;
2. professionalism;
3. health and safety, which includes: daily observations, supervision regulations, daily attendance, child to staff ratios, improper discipline, prohibited discipline, prevention of shaken baby syndrome, prevention of abusive head trauma and child maltreatment, food safety, choking risks recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect;
4. administration of medication consistent with standards for parental consent;
5. prevention and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions;
6. appropriate precautions in transporting children, if applicable;
7. public health policies, prevention and control of infectious diseases, including immunization information;
8. handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio-contaminants;
9. pediatric first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR);
10. prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleep practices;
11. outdoor play practices;
12. environmental safety; and
13. building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards, bodies of water and vehicular traffic;
14. child release practices; and
15. critical incident practices and licensing regulations

C. Within 30 calendar days of the first day present at the center and prior to assuming sole responsibility for any children, each staff member shall complete the LDE Key Orientation Training Modules 2 and 3, that at a minimum shall include information on the following:

1. child development;
2. child guidance;
3. learning activities;
4. health and safety; and
5. early learning development standards.

Finding:

1719.A.-C. Based on record review at approximately 1:00 p.m. on 6/24/2022, S1 failed to have documentation 4 of 8 staff, S2, S5, S6, and S7, received orientation within seven days of the first day present at the center and prior to having sole responsibility for any children. S2 was hired on 4/4/2022, and should have completed training on or by 4/11/2022. S5 was hired on 5/9/2022 and should have completed training on or by (5/17/2022). S6 was hired on 3/17/2022, and should have completed training on or by 3/24/2022. S7 was hired on 6/9/2022, and should have completed training on or by (6/16/2022). This could not be corrected during the inspection.

S1 failed to have documentation 3 of 8 staff, S2, S5, and S6, received additional orientation within thirty days of date of hire. S2 was hired on 4/4/2022, and should have completed training on or by 5/4/2022. S5 was hired on 5/9/2022 and should have completed training on or by 6/9/2022. S6 was hired on 3/17/2022, and should have completed training on or by 4/17/2022. This could not be corrected during inspection.

Corrective Action Plan: Effective 6/24/2022, S1 stated she will ensure all newly hired staff complete Module 1, 2, and 3 prior to working in the center with children to ensure compliance with this regulation.

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1723.A.&B.: CPR Certification - Infant/Child

Not Met

1723.A.&B.: A. Infant and child CPR. All staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children shall have current certification in infant and child CPR through training approved by the department.

B. Adult CPR. All staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children shall have current certification in adult CPR through training approved by the department.

CPR Certification

Finding:

1723.A.&B. Based on record review at approximately 12:45 p.m. on 6/24/2022, S1 failed to have documentation that all staff on the premises and accessible to the children have current certification in infant and child CPR through training approved by the department. 2 of 8 staff (S2 & S3) had documentation of this certification. The center provides care for children eight years and older and failed to have documentation that all staff members on the premises and accessible to children was currently certified in Adult CPR through training approved by the department. 2 of 8 (S2 & S3) staff had documentation of this certification. This could not be corrected during the inspection. S1 stated that S2, S3, and S5 completed training on 6/20/2022, but have not received their cards.

Corrective Active Plan: Effective 6/24/2022, S1 stated she will ensure that all newly hired staff are scheduled for training fourteen days after being hired and create calendar reminders for current staff to ensure compliance with this regulation.

1723.C: Pediatric First Aid

Not Met

1723.C: C. All staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children shall have current certification in pediatric first aid through training approved by the department.

Finding:

1723.C Based on record review at approximately 12:45 p.m. on 6/24/2022, S1 failed to have documentation that all staff on the premises and accessible to the children have current certification in pediatric first aid through training approved by the department. 2 of 8 (S2 & S3) staff had documentation of this certification. S1 stated that S2, S3, and S5 completed training on 6/20/2022, but have not received their cards.

Corrective Active Plan: Effective 6/24/2022, S1 stated she will ensure that all newly hired staff are scheduled for training fourteen days after being hired and create calendar reminders for current staff to ensure compliance with this regulation.

1727.A.: Child Neglect and Abuse Mandatory Reporter Training

Not Met

1727.A.: All staff members shall annually complete the online child abuse and neglect Mandated Reporter Training provided by DCFS.

Finding:

1727.A. Based on record review at approximately 12:45 p.m. on 6/24/2022, S1 failed to have documentation that 3 of 8 staff, S2, S5 and S7, completed the on-line child abuse and neglect Mandated Reporter Training provided by DCFS. This could not be corrected during the inspection.

Corrective Active Plan: Effective 6/24/2022, S1 stated she will ensure that all newly hired staff are trained with seven days of their hire date and create calendar reminders for current staff to ensure compliance with this regulation.