

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. reportable infectious diseases and conditions listed in LAC 51.II.105; and
4. 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 department and other appropriate agencies 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 on 7/6/2021, S1 failed to notify Child Welfare within 24 hours or the next business day, of notification of the following allegation: On 6/25/2021 at 5:30pm, O1 stated that an unknown teacher hit C1, a nine-year-old. S1 reported the allegation to The Department on 6/25/2021, however failed to notify Child Welfare. S1 stated she wasn't sure what "unknown teacher" O1 was referring to because C1 attends another school. S1 was informed that as a mandated reporter, she must submit the allegation to Child Welfare. S1 reported the allegation to Child Welfare on 7/21/2021 at 1:25pm.

Corrective Action Plan: Effective 7/21/2021, S1 stated she will immediately notify The Department and Child Welfare whenever she or any staff member is notified by anyone about an allegation involving the safety or well-being of a child.
