

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 |
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| 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 Child to Staff Ratio: Based on observations: The center failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages 6 children ages (2) infants to (4)1 y/o) with 1 staff. On 7/11/18 the Specialist observed in S2's classroom that she was supervising 6 children ((2) infants (2-4 months) and (4) 1 y/o) The required ratio for children of this age is 5 children per 1 staff person for infants and 7 children per one staff person for 1 y/o. Infant and 1 y/o ratio cannot be averaged so the center was in need of 2 staff for the 6 children (infant- 1 y/o). One 1 y/o child was removed from S2's classroom and taken to S3 classroom prior to the Specialist completing the center inspection.