

Statement of Deficiencies

7315-A: Child-to-Staff Ratio

Not Met

7315-A: Child/staff ratios are established to ensure the safety of all children. Only those staff members directly involved in child care and supervision shall be considered in assessing child/staff ratio. Child/staff ratios shall be met at all times as the number of children supervised by one staff person shall not exceed the ratios as indicated below; however, there shall always be a minimum of two child care staff present during hours of operation when children are present:

Ages of Children	Child/Staff Ratio
Infants under 12 months	5:1
One year old	7:1
Two year old	11:1
Three year old	13:1
Four year old	15:1
Five year old	19:1
Six year old and up	23:1

An average of the child/staff ratio may be applied to mixed groups of children ages two, three, four, and five. Ratios for children under two or over five years old are excluded from averaging. When a mixed group includes children less than two years of age, the age of the youngest child determines the ratio for the group to which the youngest child is assigned. When a mixed group includes children both older and younger than six years old and older, the ages of the children less than six determine the ratio for the group. During naptime, required staffing shall be present in the center to satisfy child/staff ratios.

Finding:

7315-A Based on observations and review of staff and children sign in logs on 7/18/12.

Provider did not have a minimum of 2 child care staff present during hours of operation when children were present as one staff was supervising 2 children, 1 @ age 0 and 1 @ age 2 (C1 and C2) from 7:28am to 7:35 am when 2nd staff arrived in building. C3 (age 5) arrived in the center at 7:30am, at the time the center van arrived at the center at 7:30am, leaving 3 children, ages 0-5, with 1 staff, S1. S2 and S3 arrived in the center on the center van at 7:30am and entered the center at 7:35am.

7317-A: Direct Supervision

Not Met

7317-A: Children shall be under direct supervision at all times including naptime. Children shall never be left alone in any room or outdoors without a staff present. Children, excluding infants, may be grouped together at naptime with one staff supervising the children sleeping. All children sleeping shall be in the sight of the naptime worker.

Finding:

7317-A Based on observations:

Children were not under direct supervision at all times as evidence by: specialist observation on 7/18/12 in which S1 was observed bringing C1 into the infant classroom, leaving C2 and C3 alone playing in the classroom in which specialist was located.

7327-L: Clean of Hazards

Not Met

7327-L: The center and yard shall be clean and free from hazards.

Finding:

7327-L Based on observations:

The center van was not free of hazards as evidence by: specialist observation that a large black garbage bag was located on the floor of the center van and within reach of children riding on the van. This garbage bag could potentially be a smothering hazard to children. The bag was removed from the van while specialist was present.
