

## Statement of Deficiencies

### 1509-A.8. a-b: Behavior Management Policy

Not Met

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Each center shall develop and implement a written behavior management policy describing the methods of behavior guidance and management that shall be used at the center.

The behavior management policy shall prohibit children from being subject to any of the following:

- i. physical or corporal punishment which includes but is not limited to yelling, slapping, spanking, yanking, shaking, pinching, exposure to extreme temperatures or other measures producing physical pain, putting anything in the mouth of a child, requiring a child to exercise, or placing a child in an uncomfortable position.
- ii. verbal abuse, which includes but is not limited to using offensive or profane language, telling a child to "shut up", or making derogatory remarks about children or family members of children in the presence of children;
- iii. the threat of a prohibited action even if there is no intent to follow through with the threat;
- iv. being disciplined by another child;
- v. being bullied by another child;
- vi. being deprived of food or beverages;
- vii. being restrained by devices such as high chairs or feeding tables for disciplinary purposes; and
- viii. having active play time withheld for disciplinary purposes, except timeout may be used during active play time for an infraction incurred during the playtime.

#### Finding:

1509-A.8. a-b Based on record review:

There was no documentation of a behavior management policy that clearly states ALL types of positive discipline that are used and all methods of discipline that are prohibited.

### 1509-A.8.c: Behavior Management Policy - Time Out

Not Met

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- i. Time out shall not be used for children under age 2.
- ii. A time out shall take place within sight of staff.
- iii. The length of each time out shall be based on the age of the child and shall not exceed 1 minute per year of age.
- iv. For children over age six, a time out may be extended beyond 1 minute per year of age, if a signed and dated statement, including a maximum time limit, from the parent granting such permission, is on file at the center.

#### Finding:

1509-A.8.c Based on record review:

There was no documentation of a Time Out policy as part of their Behavior Management Policy that clearly states ALL Time Out procedures that are used and all that are prohibited.

### 1509-A.10: Computer Practices Policy

Not Met

1509-A.10: Computer Practices Policy that requires computers that allow internet access by children to be equipped with monitoring or filtering software that limits access by children to inappropriate web sites, e-mail, and instant messaging.

#### Finding:

1509-A.10 Based on record review:

There was no written Computer Practices Policy that requires computers that allow internet access by children to be equipped with monitoring or filtering software that limits access by children to inappropriate web sites, e-mail, and instant messaging.

### 1509-A.11: Programs, Movies and Video Games Policy

Not Met

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- a. Programs, movies, and video games with violent or adult content, including but not limited to soap operas, television news, and sports programs aimed at audiences other than children, shall not be permitted in the presence of children.
- b. All television, video, DVD, or other programming shall be suitable for the youngest child present.
- c. "PG" programming or its television equivalent shall not be shown to children under age 5.
- d. "PG" programming shall only be viewed by children age 5 and above and shall require written parental authorization.
- e. Any programming with a rating more restrictive than "PG" is prohibited.
- f. All video games shall be suitable for the youngest child with access to the games.
  - i. "E10+" rated games shall be permitted for children ages 10 years and older.
  - ii. "T" and "M" rated games are prohibited.

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1509-A.11 Based on record review: There was no documentation of a Programs, Movies and Video Games Policy requiring: Programs, movies, and video games with violent or adult content, including but not limited to soap operas, television news, and sports programs aimed at audiences other than children, shall not be permitted in the presence of children. All television, video, DVD, or other programming shall be suitable for the youngest child present. PG programming or its television equivalent shall not be shown to children under age 5. PG programming shall only be viewed by children age 5 and above and shall require written parental authorization. Any programming with a rating more restrictive than PG is prohibited. All video games shall be suitable for the youngest child with access to the games. E10+ rated games shall be permitted for children ages 10 years and older. T and M rated games are prohibited.

### 1715-A.5: State Central Registry

Not Met

1715-A.5: Personnel files for each staff member shall be maintained at the center and shall include the following: documentation of a current, completed state central registry disclosure form indicating no justified (valid) finding of abuse or neglect by the DCFS, or a current determination from the DCFS indicating that the individual does not pose a risk to children.

### Finding:

1715-A.5 Based on record review:

There was no documentation of a completed state central registry disclosure form (SCR 1) prior to an individual being present in or providing services to the center on site and available for review at the center (1705.A-B). One of thirteen staff, S8, failed to have documentation of the completed form. S8 was on the premises on 7/10/17, 7/13/17, 7/14/17, 7/17/17 and 7/20/17 and failed to have documentation of the completed form. S8 was on the premises as observed by the licensing specialist on 7/24/17. This was corrected during licensing inspection.

### 1901-Q: The Safety Box

Not Met

1901-Q: The center shall post a copy of the current The Safety Box newsletter issued by the Louisiana Office of the Attorney General and shall immediately remove from the early learning premises any items listed as recalled.

### Finding:

1901-Q Based on record review: 'The Safety Box' newsletter issued by the Louisiana Office of the Attorney General was not available to be posted.

### 1921-A: Emergency Preparedness and Evacuation Planning

Not Met

1921-A: Emergency and Evacuation Plan. The director shall consult with appropriate state and local authorities and shall establish and follow a written multi-hazard emergency and evacuation plan to protect children in the event of emergencies that at a minimum shall:

1. address any potential disaster related to the area in which the center is located;
2. include procedures for sheltering in place, lockdown and evacuation to a pre-determined site for potential threats to the safety, health and well-being of children in care;
3. include specific procedures for handling infants through two year olds;
4. include specific procedures for handling children with special needs, including the evacuation and transportation of children in wheelchairs;
5. include a system to account for all children;
6. include a system, and a back-up system, for contacting parents and authorized third party release caretakers;
7. include a system to reunite children and parents following an emergency;
8. include procedures for providing information about the emergency plan to parents at the time of enrollment and when changes occur;
9. be reviewed annually for accuracy and updated as changes occur; and
10. be reviewed with all staff at least once per year.
11. practice drills shall be conducted at least twice per year to include all children and shall be documented.

### Finding:

1921-A Based on record review: There was no written multi-hazard emergency and evacuation plan to protect children in the event of emergencies that addresses the following: any potential disaster related to the area in which the center is located, include procedures for sheltering in place, lockdown and evacuation to a pre-determined site for potential threats to the safety, health and well-being of children in care, include specific procedures for handling infants through two year olds, specific procedures for handling children with special needs, including the evacuation and transportation of children in wheelchairs. There was no system in place for: to account for all children, a system, and a back-up system, for contacting parents and authorized third party release caretakers, a system to reunite children and parents following an emergency.

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### **1921-C: Evacuation Pack**

**Not Met**

1921-C: Evacuation Pack. The center shall have an evacuation pack, the location of which is known to all staff, that at a minimum shall contain:

1. a list of area emergency phone numbers;
2. a list of emergency contact information and emergency medical authorization for all enrolled children;
3. an emergency pick up form;
4. first aid supplies, hand sanitizer, wet wipes, and tissue;
5. diapers for children who are not toilet trained and plastic bags for diapers;
6. a battery powered flashlight and radio and batteries;
7. food for children under the age of 4, including infant food and formula; and
8. disposable cups and bottled water.

#### **Finding:**

1921-C Based on observations: Based on observations, there was no completed evacuation pack. There was no evacuation pack containing: a list of area emergency phone numbers, a list of emergency contact information and emergency medical authorization for all enrolled children, an emergency pick up form, first aid supplies, hand sanitizer, wet wipes, and tissue, diapers for children who are not toilet trained and plastic bags for diapers, a battery powered flashlight and radio and batteries, food for children under the age of 4, including infant food and formula, disposable cups and bottled water.

### **1921-E: Tornado Drills**

**Not Met**

1921-E: Tornado drills shall be conducted at least once per month in the months of March, April, May, and June at various times of the day necessary to include all children and shall be documented.

#### **Finding:**

1921-E Based on record review:

There was no documentation of tornado drills that were conducted at least once per month during the months of March, April, May, and June in 2017