# Statement of Deficiencies

### 7302-F: State Central Registry

# Not Met

7302-F: Conditions for Owners, Operators, Employees and Volunteers. Any owner, operator, current or prospective employee, or volunteer of a child care facility requesting licensure by the department and/or a child care facility licensed by the Department of Social Services is prohibited from working in a child care facility if the individual discloses, or as the result of information known or received by the Department of Social Services, that individual's name is recorded on the state central registry (SCR) as a perpetrator for a justified (valid) finding of abuse or neglect of a child, unless there is a finding by the Risk Evaluation Panel or a ruling by the Division of Administrative Law that the individual does not pose a risk to children.

1. An individual owning, operating, employed by or volunteering in a child care facility prior to January 1, 2010, licensed by the department shall be required to complete a state central registry disclosure form on or before February 1, 2010. This information shall be reported at the time of application, annually, at any time upon the request of the department, and within three working days of any such individual receiving notice of a justified (valid) determination of child abuse or neglect.

a. The owner, operator, and current employee/volunteer of the licensed child care facility shall complete, sign and date the state central registry disclosure form. The current or prospective employee/volunteer shall submit the disclosure form to the owner or operator of the facility. The owner or operator shall also be required to provide documentation of his or her state central registry disclosure form.

b. Any current employee/volunteer hired before January 1, 2010, who discloses that their name is recorded on the state central registry with a justified (valid) finding of abuse or neglect, or through reasonable suspicion, or as the result of information known or received by the Department of Social Services will have 10 calendar days from completion of the state central registry disclosure form to request a risk assessment evaluation in accordance with LAC 67:1.305 or shall be terminated immediately. As a condition of continued employment the employee/volunteer shall be directly supervised by another paid employee of the facility, who has not disclosed that their name appears with a justified (valid) finding on the state central registry. Under no circumstances may the staff person with the justified finding be left alone and unsupervised with the children pending the disposition of the Risk Evaluation Panel that they do not pose a risk to children. When these conditions are met, the employee/volunteer may be counted in child staff ratio. If the Risk Evaluation Panel finds the individual does pose a risk to children and the individual chooses not to appeal the finding, the employee/volunteer shall be terminated immediately. If the Risk Evaluation Panel finds the individual does pose a risk to children and the individual does pose a risk to children and the individual does pose a risk to children and the individual does pose a risk to children and the individual employee of the facility who has not disclosed that they have a justified finding on the state central registry until a ruling by the Division of Administrative Law. If the Division of Administrative Law upholds the Risk Evaluation Panel finding that they do pose a risk to children, they shall be terminated immediately.

2. After January 1, 2010, any prospective owner, operator, or prospective employee/volunteer of a child care facility regulating licensure by the department and/or the child care facility requesting licensure by the department shall be required to complete a state central registry disclosure form. This information shall be reported at the time of application, annually, at any time upon the request of the department, and within three working days of any such individual receiving notice of a justified (valid) determination of child abuse or neglect.

a. The prospective employee/volunteer of a child care facility requesting licensure by the department and/or licensed child care facility shall complete, sign and date the state central registry disclosure form. The prospective employee/volunteer shall submit the disclosure form to the owner or operator of the facility. The owner or operator shall also be required to provide documentation of his or her state central registry disclosure form. If a prospective operator, employee/volunteer discloses that his or her name is currently recorded as a perpetrator on the state central

registry, the child care facility representative/prospective employer shall inform the applicant they will not be considered for employment or volunteer duties at the time due to the state central registry disclosure and the child care facility representative/prospective employer will provide the prospective employee/volunteer with the request for risk panel evaluation form.

3. SCR disclosure forms, documentation of any disposition of the Risk Evaluation Panel and, when applicable, the Division of Administrative Law ruling shall be maintained in accordance with current department licensing requirements and be available for review by Child Care Licensing and Regulatory personnel during the facility's hours of operation. They shall be kept on file a minimum of one year from termination of the employee or volunteer from the center.

4. Any information received or knowledge acquired that a current or prospective owner, operator, volunteer, employee or prospective employee or volunteer has falsified a state central registry disclosure form stating that they are not currently recorded as a perpetrator with a justified (valid) determination of abuse or neglect shall be reported in writing to a Child Care Licensing manager at the Department of Social Services, Office of Family Support, Child Care Licensing and Regulatory Section as soon as possible, but no later than the close of business on the next working day.
5. Any state central registry disclosure form, Risk Evaluation Panel finding and Division of Administrative Law ruling that is maintained in a child

care facility licensing file shall be confidential and subject to the confidentiality provisions of R.S. 46:56(F) pertaining to the investigations of abuse and neglect.

6. Violations of any of the provisions of this Section shall result in licensing enforcement actions up to and including revocation of the license to operate.

## Finding:

7302-F Based on record review, provider failed to have documentation of a completed state central registry disclosure form (SCR 1) on site and available for review at the center as required by ACT 388 of the 2009 regular legislative session. 1 of 7 staff, S1 failed to have documentation of the completed form at time of application. S1's personnel record indicated that S1 was hired on 05/21/2013 and completed 4 days of supervised work on 05/21/2013, 05/22/2013 and 05/23/2013 before S1 completed the form on 05/23/2013. The provider stated that they incorrectly noted S1's supervised days of work as 05/21/2013 and 05/22/2013 and that S1 started on 05/23/2013.

# Statement of Deficiencies

#### 7305-H: Children's Daily Attendance

7305-H: A daily attendance record for children, completed by the parent or center staff, including the time of arrival and departure of each child and the name of the person to whom the child was released, shall be maintained. This record shall accurately reflect the children on the child care premises at any given time. If the record is completed by center staff, that individual shall write the first and last name of the person to whom the child was released and sign his/her own name. Children who leave and return to the center during the day shall be signed in/out. A computerized sign in/out procedure is acceptable if the record accurately reflects the time of arrival and departure as well as the name of the person to whom the child was released.

#### Finding:

7305-H Based on observations/record review, the center's daily attendance record for children did not accurately reflect the children on the child care premises at any given time as 33 children were present and 28 children were signed in on the log upon arrival at 11:45 PM.

### 7305-I: Staff Attendance

#### Not Met

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7305-I: A daily attendance record for staff, including the director/owner, to include the time of arrival and departure shall be maintained. Staff shall document in/out when not on the child care premises. This record shall accurately reflect persons on the child care premises at any given time.

#### Finding:

7305-I Based on record review, the provider did not maintain documentation of a daily attendance record for staff, including the director/owner, to include the time of arrival and departure.

#### FINDINGS INCLUDE:

A review of S1's record indicated that she was hired on 05/21/2013 and completed supervised days of work with children on 05/21/2013, 05/22/2013, 05/23/2013 and 05/24/2013. S1 was not signed into the staff attendance logs on 05/21/2013 and 05/22/2013. The provider stated that they incorrectly noted S1's supervised days of work as 05/21/2013 and 05/22/2013 and that S1 started on 05/23/2013.