Statement of Deficiencies

1515-A.2: Emergency Medical Treatment

Not Met

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1515-A.2: Written authorization signed and dated by the parent to secure emergency medical treatment;

Finding:

1515-A.2 Based on record review: 3 of 5 Children's records lacked a signed and dated parental authorization to secure emergency medical treatment. S1 stated she would correct.

1711-A-B-D-G: Child to Staff Ratio

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 Infants under 1 year			Ratio 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 Based on observations/interview(s): The Provider failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 21 children age 1 through 3 years old with 2 staff. In order to meet child to staff ratio, there should have been at least 3 staff present with this group of children. Upon arrival, Specialist observed S3 and S4 supervising a group of 21 children (4 one year olds, 7 two year olds, and 10 three year olds). S1 arrived at 9:45 AM and stated she had to leave the center briefly due to an emergency. Specialist observed that child to staff ratio was met when S1 arrived.

1919-A&B: Food Service and Nutrition - Menu

1919-A&B: All meals and snacks provided by the center, and their preparation, service and storage, shall meet the requirements for meals of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and 7 C.F.R. 226.20 and the Louisiana Sanitary Code, Title 51, Part XXIII, found at LAC 51:XXXIII. For the current CACFP meal patterns, contact the Louisiana Department of Education, Division of Nutrition Support.

The weekly menu shall:

- 1. be planned for each day of the week and list the specific food items served;
- 2. be prominently posted by the first day of each week and remain posted throughout the week; and
- 3. have substitutions or additions posted on or near the menu.

Finding:

1919-A&B: Based on observations and interview: The Center's meals, as specified under the Child Care Food Program of the United States Department of Agriculture, were not provided as Campbell's Chicken Noodle Soup, salad, grapes and milk were served for lunch. Specialist observed that there was very little chicken in the children's bowls and mostly noodles. Specialist reviewed the nutrition information and found that there are 3 grams of protein per serving of Campbell's chicken noodle soup. Specialist found that the 1 through 2 year old children present failed to receive at least 1 ounce of protein and the 3 year old children failed to receive at least 1.5 ounces of protein. S1 stated that this was the first time she has served this item and she would adjust her menu to ensure that the minimum meat requirement is met.