

## 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
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 Based on observations/interview(s): The center failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 8 children age 1 year old with 1 staff. The required ratio for children of this age is 7 children per 1 staff person. Upon arrival, Specialist observed S5 exit building #1 and enter building #2. Specialist entered building #2 and observed S4 and S5 present with 8 one year old children. S5 stated that she left the classroom and went to building #1 to drop off materials used for breakfast. Specialist inquired with S4 if anyone was in the room with her while S5 was away; S4 stated no. S4 and S5 stated that S4 was away from the class briefly. Specialist reminded staff that child staff ratio should be met at all times. Specialist observed that child to staff ratio was met prior to departure.

### 1909-G: Infant - Bibs

Not Met

1909-G: Bibs shall not be worn by any child while asleep.

#### Finding:

1909-G Based on observations: Center staff allowed a bib to be worn by a child while asleep as Specialist observed an infant sleeping in a bouncer with a bib worn on his neck in the infant room in building #2. Center staff removed the bib prior to Specialist departure.