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5305-B: Liability Insurance

Not Met

5305.B. The provider shall maintain in force at all times current commercial liability insurance for the operation of a center to ensure medical coverage for children in the event of accident or injury. The provider is responsible for payment of medical expenses of a child injured while in the provider's care. Documentation shall consist of the insurance policy or current binder that includes the name of the child care facility, physical address of the facility, name of the insurance company, policy number, period of coverage and explanation of the coverage.

Finding:

7305.B (5305.B). The Provider lacked required documentation of current commercial liability insurance for the operation of the center to ensure medical coverage for children in the event of accident or injury.

5305-H: Children's Daily Attendance

Not Met

5305.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 (5305.H.) The daily attendance log for children did not include: the time of arrival (3 times) and departure (78 times) of each child and the name of the person to whom the child was released (22 times). Records were reviewed from 10/08-5/09.

5309-A: Director or Designee on Site

Not Met

5309.A. Each center shall have a qualified director who is an on-site full-time employee at the licensed location and is responsible for planning, managing, and controlling the center's daily activities, as well as responding to parental concerns and ensuring that minimum licensing requirements are met. When the director is not an on-site full-time employee at the licensed location, there shall be a qualified director designee who is an on-site full-time employee responsible for planning, managing, and controlling the center's daily activities, as well as responding to parental concerns and ensuring that minimum licensing requirements are met.

Finding:

7309.A (5309.A). The Provider did not have a qualified Director who is an on-site full time employee of the licensed location. The center director travels to another head start 2 days per week and stays all day.

5312-E.1: CPR Not Met

5312.E.1. A minimum of at least 50 percent of all staff on the premises and accessible to the children at all times shall have documentation of current infant/child/adult certification in CPR. Original cards shall be made available upon request. This training shall be approved by the Department of Social Services prior to acceptance.

Finding:

7312.E.1 (5312.E.1). The Provider did not have documentation that at least fifty percent (50%) of all staff on the premises and accessible to the children have current approved Infant/Child/Adult certification in CPR. [0] of [6] staff had documentation of this certification.

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5312-E.3: PFA Not Met

5312.E.3. A minimum of at least 50 percent of all staff on the premises and accessible to children shall have documentation of current pediatric first aid certification. Original cards shall be made available upon request. This certification shall be approved by the Department of Social Services prior to acceptance.

Finding:

7312.E.3 (5312.E.3). The Provider did not have documentation that at least 50 percent of the staff on the premises and accessible to children at all times has current approved Pediatric First Aid training. [0] of [6] staff had documentation of this certification.

5321-J: Daily Observation of Children

Not Met

5321.J. Upon arrival at the center, each child shall be observed for possible signs of illness, infections, bruises, injuries, physical condition, etc. When noted, results including an explanation from parent and/or child shall be documented.

Finding:

7321.J (5321.J.) The provider did document observations noted on children upon arrival to the center. Results including an explanation from parent and/or child were not documented.

5323-B.3: Outdoor - Enclosed Not Met

5323.B.3. The outdoor play space lacked an enclosure with a fence or other barrier in such a manner as to protect the children from traffic hazards, to prevent the children from leaving the premises without proper supervision, and to prevent contact with animals or unauthorized persons.

Finding:

7323.B.3 (5323.B.3.) The outdoor play space lacked an enclosure with a fence or other barrier in such a manner as to protect the children from traffic hazards, to prevent the children from leaving the premises without proper supervision, and to prevent contact with animals or unauthorized persons. The center is not yet finished with their new playground and it is not fenced.

5325-G: Equipment in Good Repair

Not Met

5325.G. All play equipment and equipment necessary for the operation of the center shall be maintained in good repair.

Finding:

5325.G. The provider did not maintain play equipment and equipment necessary for the operation of the center in good repair as the center's climbing. sliding equipment on the playground is laying in the corner of the new playground and not fully assembled.

5327-C: Construction Hazards

Not Met

5327.C. Construction, remodeling, or alterations of structures shall be done in such a manner as to prevent hazards or unsafe conditions (fumes, dust, safety hazards).

Finding:

7327.C (5327.C). Construction, remodeling, or alterations of structures were not done in such a manner as to prevent hazards or unsafe conditions (fumes, dust, safety hazards) as their is still work being done on the new playground and there is scaffolding present, 2 overflowing trash cans, a large pile of construction debris, and a garden hose.

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5327-G: Electrical Plug Covers

Not Met

5327.G. Unused electrical outlets shall be protected by a safety plug cover.

Finding:

7327.G (5327.G). Unused electrical outlets were not protected by a safety plug cover in the [gym] where the children play each day as their playground is not yet completed.

5327-H: Strings and Cords Not Met

5327.H. Strings and cords (such as those found on window coverings) shall not be within the reach of children.

Finding:

7327.H (5327.H). Strings and cords were within reach of children as there is a cable wire and a string from the projector hanging and accessible to the children in the gym.

5327-L: Clean of Hazards Not Met

5327.L. The center and yard shall be clean and free from hazards.

Finding:

7327.L (5327.L.) The center and yard were not free of hazards as there is large gaps under the fence in the back of the new playground that are loare enough to allow a small animal access to the playground.

5327-P: Visual Check of Center

Not Met

5327.P. The entire center shall be checked after the last child departs to ensure that no child is left unattended at the center. Documentation shall include date, time, and signature of staff conducting the visual check.

Finding:

7327.P (5327.P.) The Provider did not document that the entire center is checked at the end of the day to ensure that no child is left unattended at the center. No visual check documented 9/4/09.

5331-H: Appropriate Driver's License

Not Met

5331.H. The provider shall maintain a copy of a valid appropriate Louisiana driver's license for all individuals who drive vehicles (staff, contracted persons, parents) used to transport children.

Finding:

7331.H (5331.H.) The Provider lacked documentation that all individuals who drive vehicles to transport the children have a copy of a valid appropriate Louisiana driver's license. Center had no copy of the contracted driver's license.

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5331-I: Liability Insurance Not Met

5331.I. The provider shall maintain in force at all times current commercial liability insurance for the operation of center vehicles to ensure medical coverage for children in the event of accident or injury. This policy shall extend coverage to any staff member who provides transportation for any child in the course and scope of his/her employment. The provider is responsible for payment of medical expenses of a child injured while in the provider's care. Documentation shall consist of the insurance policy or current binder that includes the name of the child care facility, the name of the insurance company, policy number, period of coverage and explanation of the coverage. If transportation is provided by parents for field trips or transportation is provided by contract, whether daily or field trip, a copy of the current liability insurance shall be maintained on file.

Finding:

7331.I.(5331.I.) The Provider lacked documentation of current commercial liability insurance for the operation of the vehicle(s) to ensure medical coverage for children in the event of accident or injury.

5331-J: Safety Inspection Not Met

5331.J. The vehicle shall have evidence of a current safety inspection. In lieu of a visual inspection of a contracted vehicle, a signed statement by the agency representative verifying the expiration date of the current inspection is acceptable.

Finding:

7331.J (5331.J). The Provider did have a statement signed by the contract agency's representative verifying that the contracted vehicle used has a current safety inspection however the date of inspection was not documented.

5333-F: Vehicles Visual Check Not Met

5333.F. The driver or staff person shall check the vehicle and account for each child upon arrival and departure at each destination to ensure no child is left on the vehicle or at any destination. Documentation shall include the signature of the person conducting the check and the time the vehicle is checked for each loading and unloading of children.

Finding:

5333.F. The Provider did not have documentation that the driver or a staff person checked the vehicle at the completion of each trip. On field trip taken 4/22/09, the center went to two separate destinations but only documented 2 visual checks. Two more checks were needed on this trip.

5337-A: Contract for Transportation

Not Met

5337.A. The provider shall maintain a contract which is signed by the provider and a representative of the transportation agency outlining circumstances under which transportation will be provided. This written contract shall be dated, time limited and shall include verbiage in Section 5331.

Finding:

7337.A (5337.A.) The Provider's contract for transportation was incomplete as it did not include: specifics of what each party will be responsible for.