# 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. D. Child to Staff Ratio. Based on observation: On 9/19/2019 at 9:05 AM, Specialist observed that S1 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 12 children, age 2 ,with 1 staff, S6. The required ratio for children of this age is 11 children per 1 staff person. An additional staff member arrived at 9:06 AM which corrected the issue.

#### 1901.J.&K.: Items That Can be Harmful to Children

Not Met

1901.J.&K.: J. Items that can be harmful to children, such as medications, poisons, cleaning supplies and chemicals, and equipment, tools, knives and other potentially dangerous utensils, shall kept in a locked cabinet or other secure place that ensures they are inaccessible to children.

K. Plastic bags, when not in use, regardless of purpose or use, shall be made inaccessible to children.

### Finding:

1901. J. Items That Can be Harmful to Children. Based Observations: On 9/19/2019 at 9:10 AM, Specialist observed items that can be harmful to children, cleaning supplies and chemicals, were not kept in a locked cabinet or other secure place that ensures they are inaccessible to children. Specialist observed a can of foam carpet cleaner, a bottle of Febreeze, a can of Lysol, 2 cans of air freshener, a spray bottle of carpet cleaner, a container of Lysol Wipes, and 2 spray bottles with a bleach and water mixture in an unlocked cabinet in the classroom of S7 and accessible to 7 children, age 3.