

Statement of Deficiencies

1713.A.&B.&C.: Supervision

Not Met

1713.A.&B.&C.: A: Children shall be supervised at all times in the center, on the playground, on field trips, on non-vehicular excursions, and during all water activities and water play activities.

B: Children shall not be left alone in any room, (except the restroom as indicated in Subsection G of this Section or when being provided services by therapeutic professionals, as defined in §103), outdoors, or in vehicles, even momentarily, without staff present.

C: A staff person shall be assigned to supervise specific children whose names and whereabouts that staff person shall know and with whom the staff person shall be physically present. Staff shall be able to state how many children are in their care at all times.

Finding:

1713.A.B.C.: Based on record review/interview(s) at 1:05 pm, a center child (C1) was not supervised at all times as S8 and S9 failed to know the whereabouts/number of children in their assigned care. On Monday, 9/16/19 at approximately 2:26 pm, S8 and S9 supervised 12 children (ages 3 yr to 4yrs old) while the children used the restroom. During this time S8 was standing near the restroom area to watch the children in the restroom while S9 stood in the hallway to line the child up to return the classroom. During this time C1 (age 3 yrs old), left the hallway area at 2:26:19, walked back to the classroom to get her backpack, unsupervised until 2:26:42, per video surveillance. S8 and S9 were unaware that C1 had left the area until noticing C1 was the only child with a back pack. S8 and S9 then walked the children back to the classroom but failed to conduct a name to face check for all of the children once inside the classroom. S8 and S9 were unaware that C1 was again not in their care. Based on interviews, approximately 5 minutes later, S2 returned C1 back to S8 and S9's classroom.

Corrective actions were taken, as center staff stated S8 and S9 were given a final warning employee counseling as well as supervision and tracking training after they failed to properly supervise C1.

1715.A.1.&3.: Staff Records and Personnel Files

Not Met

1715.A.1.&3.: Staff Members. Personnel files for each staff member shall be maintained at the center and shall include the following:

1. an application or staff information form containing the following information:
 - a. name;
 - b. date of birth;
 - c. home address and phone number;
 - d. training,
 - e. work experience;
 - f. educational background;
 - g. hire date; and
 - h. first day onsite working with children;
3. Upon termination or resignation of employment, the last date of employment and reason for leaving;

Finding:

1715.A.1.a.-h.: Based on record review/interview(s) at 11:28am, S1 did not have an application/staff information form to include name, date of birth, home address and phone number, training, work experience, educational background, hire date, first day on-site working with children, for staff: S11 as LS requested this information from S1 during the center visit. S1 provided LS S11's Staff Information Record form and stated S11 completed the documentation during the visit. LS observed S11's date of hire was 9/23/19.

1919.D.2.: Food Service and Nutrition - Choking Hazards

Not Met

1919.D.2.: Children under age 4 shall not have foods that are implicated in choking incidents. Examples of these foods include but are not limited to: whole hot dogs, hot dogs sliced in rounds, raw carrot rounds, whole grapes, hard candy, nuts, seeds, raw peas, hard pretzels, chips, peanuts, popcorn, marshmallows, spoonful of peanut butter, and chunks of meat larger than what can be swallowed whole.

Finding:

1919.D.2. Based on observations/interview(s) 11:41 am, S1 allowed children under age 4 to eat whole meat balls that are implicated in choking incidents as LS observed children in two separate classrooms eating the following for lunch: whole meat balls, brown rice, pineapple chunks, carrot pennies, and milk. LS observed S6 and S7 supervising 10 (3 yr olds), that were eating whole meat balls. Both S6 and S7 stated they were unaware that food items should be sliced in order to prevent obstruction of the airway. LS also 12 children (ages 3yr to 4yrs old) in S8 and S9 eating whole meat balls. S8 and S9 also stated they were unaware of the choking hazards for the meat balls.

S1 stated the food is catered and that she will talk to the food preparation staff and director to ensure that chunks of meat that are larger than what can be swallowed whole will be slices in order to prevent obstruction of the airway.