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5315-A: Child-to-Staff Ratio Not Met

5315.A. Child/staff ratios are established to ensure the safety of all children. Only those staff members directly involved in child care and supervision shall be considered in assessing child/staff ratio. Child/staff ratios shall be met at all times as the number of children supervised by one staff person shall not exceed the ratios as indicated below; however, there shall always be a minimum of two child care staff present during hours of operation when children are present:

Ages of Children	Child/Staff Ratio
Infants under 12 months	5:1
One year old	7:1
Two year old	11:1
Three year old	13:1
Four year old	15:1
Five year old	19:1
Six year old and up	23:1

An average of the child/staff ratio may be applied to mixed groups of children ages two, three, four, and five. Ratios for children under two or over five years old are excluded from averaging. When a mixed group includes children less than two years of age, the age of the youngest child determines the ratio for the group to which the youngest child is assigned. When a mixed group includes children both older and younger than six years old and older, the ages of the children less than six determine the ratio for the group. During naptime, required staffing shall be present in the center to satisfy child/staff ratios.

#### Finding:

7315.A (old tag 5315.A.) The Provider did not meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: as evidence by specialist observation on 10/20/11 upon arrival in center at 8:30am and review of child sign in log. Specialist observed 7 children, ages 0-2, with 1 staff (4 @ age 0, 2 @ age 1 and 1 @ age 2) with 1 staff. Child/staff ratio for children, age 0 is 5 children to 1 staff. Child/staff ratio was met upon the arrival of S3 in the center at 8:40am.

### 5317-A: Direct Supervision Not Met

5317.A. Children shall be under direct supervision at all times including naptime. Children shall never be left alone in any room or outdoors without a staff present. Children, excluding infants, may be grouped together at naptime with one staff supervising the children sleeping. All children sleeping shall be in the sight of the naptime worker.

#### Finding:

7317.A (old tag 5317.A.) Children were not under direct supervision at all times as evidence by: specialist observation in center on 10/20/11 between 8:30am-8:45am:

9 children, ages 2-4, were observed sitting in the dining area, when S1 left the room to go into another room in the center, leaving the 9 children without direct supervision.

7 children, ages 0-2, were without direct supervision when S2 left the room and exited the building out the front door, leaving the children without supervision. The other staff in the facility was with the 9 children in the dining room.

The same 7 children, ages 0-2, were left unsupervised when S2 walked to the front door to allow an additional child to enter the center.

#### 5319-A: Well Balanced and Nourishing Meals

**Not Met** 

5319.A. Well balanced and nourishing meals and snacks shall be provided as specified under the Child and Adult Care Food Program of the United States Department of Agriculture.

#### Finding:

7319.A (old tag 5319.A.) Well-balanced and nourishing meals and snacks as specified under the Child Care Food Program of the United States Department of Agriculture were not provided as evidence by: specialist review of menu for current week was lacking completion for Thursday and Friday, thus it could not be determined by specialist if the needed requirements would be met for Thursday and Friday. S3 stated S4 is in charge of the menu and she did not know what was being served for lunch and snack on 10/20/11 and breakfast, lunch and snack on 10/21/11. Specialist did observe scrambled egg pastry, grapes and milk being served for breakfast on 10/20/11.

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5319-D: Posted Menu Not Met

5319.D. Current weekly menus for meals and snacks listing specific food items served shall be prominently posted. Menu substitutions shall be recorded on or near the posted menu.

#### Finding:

7319.D (old tag 5319.D.) Current weekly menu was lack the dates for this week 10/17/11-10/21/11 and was lacking food items for Thursday, 10/20/11 and Friday 10/21/11. S3 stated she did not know what was being served on these 2 days because S4 is in charge of the menus.

#### 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:

7325.G (old tag 5325.G.) The provider did not maintain play equipment and equipment necessary for the operation of the center in good repair as evidence by: specialist observation on playground in which the see saw is missing 1 bolt that is needed to hold the equipment together so that the children can use the equipment without becoming harmed.