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## Statement of Deficiencies

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:

5315.A. The Provider did not meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages:

11 children age 1-2 with 1 staff. The required ratio for children ages One to Two years is 7 children per 1 staff. Children were eating PM Snack while other staff was assisting children in the restroom.

Others on the premises meeting ratio as follows:

5 CHILDREN AGES 0-1 WITH 1 STAFF.

1 CHILD AGE 1 WITH 1 STAFF

3 CHILDREN AGES 3-4 WITH 1 STAFF

## 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:

\*\*NEW\*\*5317.A. Children were not under direct supervision at all times as 1) STAFF WAS WATCHING 11 CHILDREN AND WALKED INTO THE KITCHEN TO PUT UP SNACK DISHES LEAVING SOME OF THE CHILDREN NOT WITHIN HER DIRECT SUPERVISION. 2) ANOTHER TIME STAFF WALKED INTO NEXT ROOM AND STAFF IN THE SAME ROOM WAS UNABLE TO SEE ALL CHILDREN WHO WERE SITTING ON THE SIDE OF THE ROOM PARTITION.