

Statement of Deficiencies

1103.A.-D.: Critical Incidents and Required Notifications

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1103.A.-D.: An early learning center shall make immediate notification to emergency personnel, law enforcement as applicable, and other appropriate agencies for the following types of critical incidents involving children in care:

1. death;
 2. serious injury or illness that required medical attention;
 3. reportable infectious diseases and conditions listed in LAC 51.II.105; and
 4. any other significant event relating to the health, safety, or well-being of any child, including but not limited to a lost child, an emergency situation, fire or other structural damage, or closure of the center.
- B. The parent shall be contacted immediately following any immediate notifications made under Subsection A.
- C. The department and other appropriate agencies shall be notified via email within 24 hours of the incident.
- D. The department shall be notified by written report within 24 hours of the incident or the next business day. This written notification shall be made on the department's Critical Incidents Report Form and shall contain all information requested on the form.

Finding:

1103.A.-D. Based on interview(s): During Specialist visit on 11/5/19 at 10:15am, S1 stated that she failed to notify the Department, Child Welfare, and the parent of the following critical incident: On 10/21/2019, around 3:45 pm, C1 informed S7 that C2 touched her private area while they were in the classroom under the table. S6 stated that S7 brought C2 to the office and informed her of the incident. S6 stated that C2 said that he did not touch C1. When O1 arrived to the center to pick up C1, C1 informed O1 that C2 touched her private. S1 was not present at the time. S6 stated that she was in the office and explained to O1 what she was told. S1 and S6 stated that they were unaware that the incident should have been reported to Child Welfare or the parent because they could not validate the allegations. S1 stated that she would report the incident to Child Welfare.