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Statement of Deficiencies

7306-F: Discipline Not Met

7306-F: The provider shall establish a policy in regard to methods of discipline. Any form of punishment that violates the spirit of this standard of discipline, even though it may not be specifically mentioned as forbidden, is prohibited. This written posted policy shall clearly state ALL types of positive discipline that are used and that the following methods of discipline are prohibited:

- No child shall be subject to physical punishment, corporal punishment, verbal abuse or threats.
- Cruel, severe, unusual, or unnecessary punishment shall not be inflicted upon children.
- Derogatory remarks shall not be made in the presence of children about family members of children in care or about the children themselves
- No child or group of children shall be allowed to discipline another child.
- When a child is removed from the group for disciplinary reasons, he shall never be out of sight of a staff member.
- No child shall be deprived of meals or snacks or any part thereof for disciplinary reasons.

Finding

7306-F Based on interviews: Provider used a method of discipline that is not written posted policy which clearly states all types of positive discipline that are used by the provider. As on October 30, 2014 at approximately 10:36am while the children were playing outside, S6 was observed placing a 3 year old child (C1) in time-out after she failed to listen. S6 admitted she placed (C1) sitting in time-out with her on the outdoor red swing for 2-3 minutes. This type of punishment is not clearly written in the provider's discipline policy.