

Statement of Deficiencies

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: Child to Staff Ratio

Not Met

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: A. Child to staff ratios are established to ensure the safety of all children.

B. Minimum child to staff ratios shall be met at all times.

1. There shall be a minimum of two staff members present at an early learning center when more than one child is present.
 2. Only those staff members directly providing care, supervision or guidance to children shall be counted in the child to staff ratios.
- D. Minimum Child to Staff Ratios for Type II and Type III centers:

Ages of Children		Ratio
Infants under 1 year		5:1
1 year	7:1	
2 years		11:1
3 years	13:1	
4 years	15:1	
5 years	19:1	
6 years and up	23:1	

G. Mixed Age Groups - Minimum Child to Staff Ratios

1. An average of the child to staff ratios may be applied to mixed age groups of children ages 2, 3, 4 and 5
2. Child to staff ratios for children under age two are excluded from averaging.
3. When a mixed age group includes children younger than age two, the age of the youngest child determines the child to staff ratio for the group.
4. An average may be applied to a mixed age group consisting only of children ages 5 and older.

Finding:

1711.A.&B.&G. Child to Staff Ratio: Based on observation/interview/record review: On 11/14/19 at 9:00am, the Provider failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 21 children age 1-4 year old (5 one year olds; 7 two year olds and 9 three-four year olds) with 1 staff. The required ratio for children of this age is 7 one year old children per 1 staff person and 13 two to four year old children with 1 staff person. S1 was observed with 21 children ages 1-4 upon arrival to the center at 9:00am. S2, cook, came from the kitchen after Specialist arrival into the room. The ratio was still not corrected at this time as three staff were needed to meet ratio. S1 moved 2 one year olds into the infant room with S3 and the ratio in the room was corrected. S4 and S5 arrived at the center at 9:12am and S2 returned to the kitchen. S2 has 12 clock hours making her eligible to supervise children.