

## 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-ABDG: Child Staff Ratio, based on observation, minimum child to staff ratios shall be met at all times. Specialist observed 10 infants with one staff. Correct ratio for this age group is 2 to 10 or 1 to 5. Specialist observed S6 leave the infant classroom on three different times. Leaving S5 alone with 10 infants for just a short period of time. Provider spoke to S6 about this while specialist was present.

### 1901-N: Strings and Cords

Not Met

1901-N: Strings and cords, including but not limited to those found on equipment, window coverings, televisions and radios, shall be inaccessible to children under age 4.

#### Finding:

1901-N: Strings and Cords, based on observation, Strings and cords, including but not limited to those found on equipment, window coverings, televisions and radios, shall be inaccessible to children under age 4. Specialist observed a long string of Christmas list on the floor at the bottom of a small christmas tree.

### 1901-Q: Staff Personal Belongings

Not Met

1901-Q: The personal belongings of center staff members shall be inaccessible to children.

#### Finding:

1901-Q: Staff Personal Belongings, based on observation, The personal belongings of center staff members shall be inaccessible to children. Specialist observed three different purses out on accessible classroom shelves to children.

### 1909-B: Infants Placed on Backs for Sleeping

Not Met

1909-B: All infants shall be placed on their backs for sleeping.

- 1. Written authorization from a physician is required for any other sleeping position.
- 2. Written notice of the specifically authorized sleeping position shall be posted on or near the crib.

#### Finding:

1909-B: Infants Placed on Backs for Sleeping, based on observation, All infants shall be placed on their backs for sleeping. Specialist observed 2 children in infant room one sleeping in bouncer chairs. One infant was observed sleeping in a exersaucer with her head laying on the side of the saucer. In infant room 2, specialist observed one infant sleeping in a bouncer chair. When specialist returned to infant room 1, 30 minutes later, one infant was still asleep in the bouncer chair. When specialist asked about the child, S6 stated that she had moved him to the crib then moved him back later and he went to sleep in there again. S6 removed infant while specialist was present.