

Statement of Deficiencies

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

Not Met

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.C.: Critical Incidents and Required Notifications: Based on record review/interview(s): On 12/04/2019 at 11:45am, Specialist interviewed S1 and she explained she did not send in a report to the DCFS-Child Welfare. S1 failed to notify within 24 hours of the incident to the Department of Child and Family Services: Child Welfare of the following critical incident on 11/26/2019. On 11/26/2019, at 11:00am C1, age 3, was left alone in a classroom for roughly 5 minutes by S7.

1713.A.&B.&C.: Supervision

Not Met

1713.A.&B.&C.: A: Children shall be supervised at all times in the center, on the playground, on field trips, on non-vehicular excursions, and during all water activities and water play activities.

B: Children shall not be left alone in any room, (except the restroom as indicated in Subsection G of this Section or when being provided services by therapeutic professionals, as defined in §103), outdoors, or in vehicles, even momentarily, without staff present.

C: A staff person shall be assigned to supervise specific children whose names and whereabouts that staff person shall know and with whom the staff person shall be physically present. Staff shall be able to state how many children are in their care at all times.

Finding:

1713.A.&B.&C Based on interviews on 12/3/19 with S1, S7, and S9, C1, age 3, failed to be supervised at all times. On 11/26/19, C1, was left alone and unsupervised in Building II in a classroom for approximately five minutes by S7 after the class was escorted to Building I for lunch. S9 alerted her that there was an extra plate at the lunch table. S7 stated that in that moment she realized C1 had been left in Building II. Per S1, S7 received a written reprimand and a supervision plan of action has been put in place to ensure this does not happen again.