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## **Inspection Report**

**Provider Information** 

Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I

CLR No: L353220 Capacity: 80

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Director(s): Bryant, Martha Ann;

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Provider Address: 2024 Hall Street, Owensboro, KY, 42303 Owner(s): Wee People Day Care, LLC

Provider Name: Wee People Day Care

**Inspection Information** 

Inspection No: 306530

Inspection Type: Renewal Application

Date Initiated: 04/29/2021 10:00 AM

Date Concluded: 04/29/2021 2:15 PM

No. of Children Present: 32

#### **Inspection Report**

### **Background Checks**

**Not In Compliance** 

5 - Background check/left alone/dismissed/relocated

**Not In Compliance** 

922 KAR 2:280. Section 3. Implementation and Enforcement.

- (1) A person who is a child care staff member prior to January 1, 2018, shall submit to and complete background checks in accordance with this administrative regulation no later than September 30, 2018.
- (2) A child care staff member hired on or after April 1, 2018, shall:
- (a) Have completed the background checks required in accordance with this administrative regulation and been found to have no disqualifying offense prior to becoming a child care staff member; or
- (b)1. Have submitted to the background checks required in accordance with this administrative regulation;
- 2. Not be left unsupervised with a child in care pending the completion of the background checks in accordance with this administrative regulation; and
- 3. Be dismissed or relocated from the residence if the person is found to have a disqualifying background check result.

# Findings:

General: Based on record review and observation, a caregiver hired on 6/22/20, had a drug related felony dated 5/15/18, and cared for children with another caregiver that did not have a processed name-based criminal records check and child abuse/neglect check.



922 KAR 2:280. Section 6. Disqualifying Background Check Results.

- (1) Unless a rehabilitative review pursuant to Section 9 of the administrative regulation determines the individual is eligible to be hired, an individual shall be ineligible to:
- (a) Be hired or otherwise serve as a child care staff member if the individual:
- 1. Meets a criterion specified in 45 C.F.R. 98.43(c);
- 2. Has been convicted of, or has entered an Alford plea, a plea of guilty, or a plea of nolo contendere to,:
- a. A drug-related felony, and five (5) years has not elapsed since the person was fully discharged from imprisonment, probation, or parole;
- b. A sex or violent crime pursuant to KRS 17.165; or
- c. A felony offense under:
- (i) KRS Chapter 506, inchoate offenses;
- (ii) KRS Chapter 511, burglary and related offenses;
- (iii) KRS Chapter 515, robbery;
- (iv) KRS Chapter 520, escape and other offense related to custody;
- (v) KRS Chapter 525, riot, disorderly conduct, and related offenses;
- (vi) KRS Chapter 527, offense relating to firearms and weapons;
- (vii) KRS Chapter 529, prostitution offenses; or
- (viii) KRS Chapter 530, family offenses;
- 3. Is listed on:
- a. The central registry established in accordance with 922 KAR 1:470; or
- b. Another state's state-based child abuse and neglect registry or database;
- 4. Has been convicted of, or has entered an Alford plea, plea of guilty, or a plea of nolo contendere to, an offense under a criminal statute of the United States or of another state similar to an offense specified in this paragraph;
- 5. Has an open warrant;
- 6. Has a criminal background check result indicating that the individual should be approached with caution by authorities; or
- 7. Has a pending charge for a criminal offense specified in this paragraph; or
- (b) Serve as a child-care center's applicant, licensee, or director if the individual has been convicted of, or has entered an Alford plea, a plea of guilty, or a plea of nolo contendere to, a felony offense involving fraud, embezzlement, theft, or forgery.
- (2) An individual who has received a pardon for a disqualifying offense, has had the record expunged, or has evidenced dismissal of a warrant or disqualifying charge may serve as a child care staff member.

#### Findings:

General: Based on record review, a caregiver hired on 6/22/20, had a drug related felony dated 5/15/18 on her name based criminal records check. Therefore, the caregiver was ineligible to be hired.

Supervision Not In Compliance

90 - Children Supervised Not In Compliance

# 922 KAR 2:120. Section 2. Child Care Services.

(3)(a) Each center shall maintain a child-care program that assures each child will be:

- 1. Provided with adequate supervision at all times by a qualified staff person who ensures the child is:
- a. Within scope of vision and range of voice; or
- b. For a school-age child, within scope of vision or range of voice;

### Findings:

General: Based on observation, a three-year-old child was allowed to go to the restroom alone. The restroom was located on the opposite side of the younger three-year-olds' room. The distance between the restroom and the younger three-year-olds' room was approximately twenty (20) feet.

Staffing Requirements

In Compliance

**General Administration** 

In Compliance

**Director Requirements** 

Not In Compliance

360 - Caregiver Alone Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 10. Director Requirements and Responsibilities.

- (1) A director shall:
- (m) Assure that a person acting as a caregiver of a child in care shall not be left alone with a child, if the licensee has not received the results of the background checks as described in 922 KAR 2:280;

#### Findinas

General: Based on observation and review of documentation, a caregiver hired on 1/18/21, supervised nine (9) children alone in the younger three-year-old room. The caregiver did not have a processed name-based child abuse/neglect check on file. Also, two (2) caregivers hired on 6/22/20 and 2/15/21, supervised seven (7) children in the two-year-old room. The caregiver hired on 6/22/20, was ineligible to be hired due to the results of the name-based criminal records check on file. The caregiver hired on 2/15/21, did not have a processed name-based criminal records check and a processed child abuse/neglect check on file.

**Employee Records** 

In Compliance

Programming

In Compliance



#### Inspection Report

#### **Premises**

**Not In Compliance** 

645 - Sink **Not In Compliance** 

922 KAR 2:120. Section 10. Toilet, Diapering, and Toiletry Requirements.

- (3) A sink shall be:
- (a) Located in or immediately adjacent to toilet rooms;
- (b) Equipped with hot and cold running water that allows for hand washing;
- (c) Equipped with hot water at a minimum temperature of ninety (90) degrees Fahrenheit and a maximum of 120 degrees Fahrenheit;
- (d) Equipped with liquid soap;
- (e) Equipped with hand-drying blower or single use disposable hand drying material;
- (f) Equipped with an easily cleanable waste receptacle; and
- (g) Immediately adjacent to a changing area used for infants and toddlers.

#### Findings:

675 - Training Chair

General: Based on observation, the changing area was approximately sixteen (16) feet away from the sink in the younger three-year-old's room. Therefore, a sink was not immediately adjacent to the changing area.

**Not In Compliance Not In Compliance** 

**Hygienic Practices** 

922 KAR 2:120. Section 10. Toilet, Diapering, and Toiletry Requirements.

- (7) If a toilet training chair is used, the chair shall be:
- (a) Used over a surface that is impervious to moisture;
- (b) Out of reach of other toilets or toilet training chairs;
- (c) Emptied promptly; and
- (d) Disinfected after each use.

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation, a lime green training chair was placed on a multi-color, rubber, puzzle-shaped floor tile in the younger two-year-olds' restroom.

#### First Aid/Medication

In Compliance

**Outdoor Play Area** 

**Not In Compliance** Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements. (20) An outdoor play area shall be:

(c) Free from:

745 - Playground Clean

- 1. Litter; 2. Glass;
- 3. Rubbish; and
- 4. Flammable materials;

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation, a wooden structure and a broken plastic child-size table were in the outdoor play area. Interview determined the wooden structure was used to build steps at the center.

755 - Protective Surface **Not In Compliance** 

#### 922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements.

- (21) A protective surface shall:
- (a) Be provided for outdoor play equipment used to:
- 1. Climb:
- 2. Swing; and
- 3. Slide; and
- (b) Have a fall zone equal to the height of the equipment.

General: Based on observation, there was no protective surface material underneath a green and brown slide located in the outdoor play area.

760 - Fences

**Not In Compliance** 

### 922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements.

- (23) Fences shall be:
- (a) Constructed of safe material;
- (b) Stable; and
- (c) In good condition.

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation, three (3) fence posts were not stable in the ground. The posts were part of a chain link fence which surrounded the center's HVAC system located in the outdoor play area.



#### Inspection Report

#### Equipment

Not In Compliance

820 - Indoor/Outdoor Equipment Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 11. Toys and Furnishings.

- (2) Indoor and outdoor equipment shall:
- (a) Be clean, safe, and in good repair;
- (b) Meet the physical, developmental needs, and interests of children of different age groups;
- (c) Be free from sharp points or corners, splinters, protruding nails or bolts, loose or rusty parts, hazardous small parts, lead-based paint, poisonous material, and flaking or chalking paint; and
- (d) Be designed to guard against entrapment or situations that may cause strangulation.

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation, there was no safety strap on a white and blue highchair in the two-year-olds' room. Interview determined the strap was broken by a child and needed to be repaired. There were four (4) exposed nail heads on a wooden structure located in the outdoor play area. There was rust on all four (4) legs of an adult size chair located in the outdoor play area.

**Transportation** 

Not Applicable

Food Service/Food Program

In Compliance

Food Service

**Not In Compliance** 

1130 - Menu Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 9. Food and Meal Requirements.

- (16) A weekly menu shall be:
- (a) Prepared;
- (b) Dated;
- (c) Posted in advance in a conspicuous place;
- (d) Kept on file for thirty (30) days; and
- (e) Amended in writing with any substitutions on the day the meal is served.

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation, the posted menu was dated April 12, 2021 to April 16, 2021 in the dining room.

#### Children's Records

**Not In Compliance** 

1140 - Enrollment Information Not In Compliance

#### 922 KAR 2:090. Section 9. Records.

- (1) A child-care center shall maintain:
- (b) A written record for each child:
- 1. Completed and signed by the child's parent;
- 2. Retained on file on the first day the child attends the child-care center; and
- 3. To contain:
- a. Identifying information about the child, which includes, at a minimum, the child's name, address, and date of birth;
- b. Contact information to enable a person in charge to contact the child's:
- (i) Parent at the parent's home or place of employment;
- (ii) Family physician; and
- (iii) Preferred hospital;
- c. The name of each person who is designated in writing to pick-up the child;
- d. The child's general health status and medical history including, if applicable:
- (i) Allergies;
- (ii) Restriction on the child's participation in activities with specific instructions from the child's parent or health professional; and
- (iii) Permission from the parent for third-party professional services in the child-care center;
- e. The name and phone number of each person to be contacted in an emergency involving or impacting the child;
- f. Authorization by the parent for the child-care center to seek emergency medical care for the child in the parent's absence;

#### Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation, a child enrolled on 4/20/21, did not list a preferred hospital in the enrollment information.

**Written Documentation** 

In Compliance

**Posted Documentation** 

In Compliance
Not Applicable

Animals



#### **Inspection Report**

#### **Emergency Regulation**

**Not In Compliance** 

1265 - Emergency Regulation Not In Compliance

#### 922 KAR 2:415E. Emergency Regulation.

Due to the current declared public health emergency caused by the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), licensed child care centers must operate under Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and public health guidelines, as mandated by 922 KAR 2:415E, to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation and review of documentation, the child care center failed to ensure:

- 1. Machine washable toys shall not be used, in accordance with 922 KAR 2:415E Section 6 (3). Stuffed toys/animals were in the infants' room.
- 2. A child who is in the first grade or above shall wear a face mask if temperament and developmental ability allow unless the child meets any of the exemption criteria established in subsection (5) of this section, in accordance with 922 KAR 2:415E Section 8 (3). A first grade child did not wear a face mask in the preschool room.
- 3. New staff shall undergo name-based background, in accordance with 922 KAR 2:280 and shall not be left alone with children until name-based background checks have been approved and returned, in accordance with 922 KAR 2:415E Section 11(5). A caregiver hired on 1/18/21, did not have a processed name-based child abuse/neglect check on file. Also, the caregiver supervised nine (9) children alone in the younger three-year-old's room. A caregiver hired on 2/15/21, did not have a processed name-based criminal records check and a processed child abuse/neglect check on file. The caregiver and an unqualified staff person cared for children in the two-year-old's room.
- 4. All child care staff, directors, owners and operators complete a new, mandatory training on cleaning, sanitizing, health procedures, and mandatory reporting prior to the date of reopening, in accordance with 922 KAR 2:415E Section 9 (1). A caregiver hired on 1/18/21, had not complete the mandatory training.

