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Findings Report

Date: 8/30/2017 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:15 AM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(6) - Please ensure additional science toys/equipment is added to room F.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2017

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Not Met

Comment

591-1-1-.06(5) - When room A is changed to a licensed room, please ensure the bathroom used by the older children is suitably screened for privacy.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2017

Finding

591-1-1-.06(5) requires Center Staff to provide platforms or sets of steps at the toilets and sinks to assist children who are unable to use the fixtures comfortably when child-size fixtures are not provided. In Centers with a licensed capacity of 19 or more children, the toilet facilities for children aged four (4) and older shall be suitably screened for privacy. It was determined based on consultant's observation the hand washing sinks in room B and C were inaccessible to the age group being served.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a platform or steps that helps children reach toilets and sinks safely and will ensure this equipment is available whenever needed. The Center will add a step stool at the hand washing sinks.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2017

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Comment**

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Observation-Center Clean/Well Maintained

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Please ensure if door to the kitchen is going to be open, a four foot barrier will be added to prevent the children from having access to the area. The kitchen currently has a barrier under four foot at the door to the kitchen.

Correction Deadline: 8/30/2017**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(6) requires each child's personal items to be kept in individually labeled cubbies, lockers or racks separated from articles used by other children. The spaces shall be accessible to the children to whom they are assigned. It was determined based on consultant's observation the cubbies in room B, C, D, E and G were inaccessible to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide each child with individually labeled and accessible storage. A bag will be provided for each child for storage.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2017

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on Consultant's observation that a hazard existed in that there was rust the fence around the sides of playground C. A hazard also existed on Playground B in that vegetation is growing through the back fence.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will sand, treat and repaint the rusted fences and cut out all vegetation growing in the back fence.

Correction Deadline: 8/30/2017**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on Consultant's observation that on Playground A and C hazards existed in that the benches were cut and could cause a potential hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will repair the broken benches.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2017**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on Consultant's observation that hazards existed in that on Playground B there were exposed tree roots and broken limbs.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will spray paint the tree roots and remove the broken limbs.

Correction Deadline: 8/30/2017

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

Comment

No children enrolled

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

Comment

No children enrolled - hand washing discussed

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

Comment

Routine medication will not be administered.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

No children enrolled - discipline discussed

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

No Field Trips at This Time

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided. Consultant discussed transportation requirements if/when the facility decides to incorporate transportation. The center will contact their Regional Consultant and complete the two (2) hours transportation training prior to transporting children.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Met

Comment

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)

Met

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

Comment

Observed-50% Certified First Aid & CPR

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Met

Comment

Lead staff education requirements

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Met****Comment**

No children enrolled; proper ratios discussed

Comment

591-1-1-.32(4)(a) - Please ensure parents/students in room B and D travel through room C to access their rooms. Also a hallway will be required in room A prior to being licensed to provide a route to room B, C and D.

Correction Deadline: 8/30/2017

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

No children enrolled;proper supervision discussed