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Date

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### Findings Report

**Date:** 9/20/2017 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

### Activities and Equipment

**290-2-3-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Variety Of Equipment

**290-2-3-.19 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

No enrolled children in cribs

**Comment**

Not caring for infants

**290-2-3-.07 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Children's Records

**Records Reviewed: 2**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Met

**290-2-3-.08 Children's Records**

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed records complete/well organized. The sample enrollment form was emailed to the provider.

### Facility

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**290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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**290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)****Met****Comment**

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

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**290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. It was determined based on observations, the stairs leading up to the deck were observed to be a possible entrapment hazard. The space between the stairs measured approximately six inches.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home will repair any and all identified outdoor hazards and will monitor playground daily or more often as needed to ensure that the Home's outdoor play area is kept clean and free of hazards.

**Correction Deadline: 9/30/2017****Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(d) requires that outside play areas be protected from traffic or other hazards by fencing or other barriers at least four feet in height and approved by the Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children. A fence shall be provided around swimming pools to make them inaccessible when not in use. It was determined based on observations, the back fence behind the trees was observed to have large spaces and gaps. The gaps were large enough for children to leave the playground area.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home will enclose the outside play area(s) with a four-foot high fence or other Department-approved barrier and inspect regularly to ensure fencing material is safe and any hazards identified are repaired or replaced. The Home will install or repair a fence around swimming pools that makes them inaccessible to children.

**Correction Deadline: 9/20/2017**

<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper handwashing. The provider was able to state the required times for handwashing.

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**290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.11(1)(f) requires diapers to be changed in the Child's own crib or on a non-porous surface which is cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single use disposable towel after each diaper change. It was determined based on observation, the changing pad being used was textured. A child was observed being diapered on the textured side of the changing pad.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

To ensure the control of disease transmission, the Home Provider will change diapers in the child's crib or a nonporous surface. The diapering surface will be cleaned and disinfected between use with a single use disposable towel.

**Correction Deadline: 9/20/2017****Comment**

Observed-Proper Diapering

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**290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)****Met****Comment**

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures

**Licensure**

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**290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Application requirements reviewed.

**Comment**

Appropriate number of children observed. The provider currently has two children for pay enrolled.

**Safety and Discipline**

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**290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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**290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.11(1)(e) requires the Home and any vehicle used for transportation Children to have a first aid kit which at least contains: scissors, tweezers, gauze pads, thermometer, adhesive tape, band-aids, insect - sting preparation, antiseptic cleaning solution, antibacterial ointment, bandages, disposable rubber gloves, protective eyewear, facemask, and cold pack. The first aid kit, together with a first aid instruction manual which must be kept with the kit at all times, shall be stored in a central location so that it is not accessible to Children but is easily accessible to the Provider and Staff. The Home must also maintain written directions for the use of universal precautions for handling blood and bodily fluids. The directions on the use of universal precautions must be kept with the first aid kit at all times. It was determined based observations, the first aid kit was missing protective eyewear, a face mask, and a thermometer.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home will replace any missing items in the first aid kit, keep the instruction manual and written universal precautions with the kit and will check the kit regularly. The Home will store the kit where children will not have access to it. The first aid kit checklist was provided on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 9/30/2017**

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**290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)****Met****Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

**Staff Records**

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**290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

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**290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR****Met****Comment**

Observed-Provider Certified First Aid &amp; CPR

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**290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

<b>Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision</b>
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**290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)****Met****Comment**

Appropriate ratios observed. Ensure that an assistant, who must be at least sixteen (16) years of age, be present to assist with supervision whenever more than three (3) children under the age of twelve (12) months are present, more than six (6) children under the age of three (3) years are present or more than eight (8) children under the age of five (5) years are present.

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**290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attention To Needs. The provider was informed if children are allowed to nap in the room outside of the child care area, the door must be left open and the provider must provide watchful oversight.