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Inspection Report

Provider Information

Provider Type: CERTIFIED

Provider Address: 1710 Lakewood Drive, Elizabethtown, KY, 42701

CLR No: C68494 Capacity: 6

Inspection No: 306595

Inspection Information

Inspection Type: Investigation

Provider Name: Caldera, Tammy Michelle

No. of Children Enrolled: 10

Date Initiated: 03/15/2021 10:00 AM

Date Concluded: 03/15/2021 11:00 AM

No. of Children Present: 6

Inspection Report

Supervision

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In Compliance

General Administration

Not In Compliance
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160 - Health, safety and comfort

922 KAR 2:100 - Section 13. Care Requirements for a Provider.
(1) A provider shall ensure the health, safety, and comfort of each child.

Findings:

The investigation revealed that on 3/10/2021, a child at the child care home received a scratch from a dog owned by the home care provider. In addition, the investigation revealed that the dog had free liberty of the area (not confined by any leash) when the child was playing with the dog as it was sleeping. Without any constraint available to control the animal, the dog scratched the child as a result of being disturbed from sleeping. Furthermore, the investigation noted that another small dog, a Shi Tzu, was in the presence of the children without any restraint mechanisms as the children played with the dog, who appeared to be at rest while laying on the couch. Moreover, the investigation revealed that over one-year ago, a child was bitten at the home care provider's previous residence, which led to a quarantine of the dog by the Lincoln Trail District Health Department in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

Animals Not In Compliance

830 - Animals Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:100 - Section 17. Animals.

- (1) An animal shall not be allowed in the presence of a child in care:
- (a) Unless:
- The animal is under the supervision and control of an adult;
- 2. Written parental consent has been obtained; and
- 3. The animal is certified as vaccinated against rabies; or
- (b) Except in accordance with subsection (3) of this section.
- (2) A parent shall be notified in writing if a child has been bitten or scratched by an animal.
- (3) An animal that is considered undomesticated, wild, or exotic shall not be allowed at a certified family child-care home unless the animal is:
- (a) A part of a planned program activity led by an animal specialist affiliated with a zoo or nature conservatory; and
- (b) In accordance with 301 KAR 2:081 and 301 KAR 2:082.

Findings:

The investigation revealed that on 3/10/2021, a child at the child care center received a scratch from a dog owned by the home care provider. The investigation revealed that there was a written consent form from the parents, allowing the child to be in the presence of the dog and the dog was vaccinated against rabies. In addition, the investigation revealed that the dog had free liberty of the area (not confined by any leash) when the child was playing with the dog as it was sleeping. Without any constraint available to control the animal, the dog scratched the child as a result of being disturbed from sleeping. Furthermore, the investigation noted that another small dog, a Shi Tzu, was in the presence of the children without any restraint mechanisms as the children played with the dog, who appeared to be at rest while laying on the couch. Moreover, the investigation revealed that over one-year ago, a child was bitten at the home care provider's previous residence, which led to a quarantine of the dog by the Lincoln Trail District Health Department in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

