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Provider Address: 9811 Merioneth Drive, Louisville, KY, 40299

Owner(s): Young NonProfit Foundation, Inc.

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## **Inspection Report**

**Provider Information** 

Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I

**Capacity:** 51(Bldg 1: 49)

Director(s): Young, Jacque DeShay

**CLR No:** L383592

**Inspection Information** 

Inspection Type: Investigation

Date Initiated: 10/22/2019 8:30 AM

Date Concluded: 11/01/2019 3:00 PM

No. of Children Present: 12

Inspection No: 291790

**Inspection Report** 

Supervision Discussed

Staffing Requirements In Compliance

#### **Inspection Report**

### **General Administration**

Not In Compliance

165 - Cooperate with state agency

922 KAR 2:090. Section 6. License Issuance.

- (8) To qualify for a preliminary license, or maintain a regular license, a child-care center shall:
- (f) Cooperate with the cabinet, the cabinet's designee, or another agency with regulatory authority during:
- 1. An investigation of an alleged complaint, including an allegation of child abuse or neglect pursuant to KRS 620.030(4); and
- 2. Unannounced inspections;

#### Findings:

The child care center failed to fully cooperate with the state agency during an inspection or investigation.

On 10/22/19, the Division of Regulated Child Care (DRCC) visited the child care center. During the course of an interview regarding thermostats, the staff-in-charge disclosed that he/she knew who the person was who complained to DRCC, and he/she was considering firing that employee. The surveyor advised that his/her report would memorialize his/her statement regarding termination of an employee who have filed a complaint.

On 11/1/19, DRCC visited the child center and interviewed the staff-in-charge once again. During the interview, the staff-in-charge disclosed that he/she never threatened retaliation against any employee of the child care center for initiating investigations against the child care center. The staff-in-charge disclosed that he/she contacted the DRCC with regard to employees filing false allegations against the child care center. The staff-in-charge disclosed that he/she discussed how to protect the child care center against false allegations from staff members who are disgruntled. The staff-in-charge specifically named two (2) staff members as being disgruntled employees.

The staff-in-charge disclosed that he/she was on the telephone with the DRCC, explaining that it is not right for staff members to call the state because they are "emotionally wounded." Furthermore, the staff-in-charge disclosed that he/she stated to DRCC that he/she wanted to know "who did this." Furthermore, the staff-in-charge disclosed that he/she was either in her office or he/she was in the hallway of the child care center when speaking to DRCC. Moreover, the staff-in-charge disclosed that staff members are always attempting to eavesdrop on his/her conversations when in the privacy of the manager's office. Finally, the staff-in-charge disclosed that his/her words "I want to know who did this" were verbatim.

The surveyor followed up by asking the staff-in-charge if he/she could understand how a staff member could interpret her words "I want to know who did this" as a threat against their employment, including termination or reprimand/demotion of some sort. The staff-in-charge then replied differently than the verbatim he/she acknowledged as "I want to know who did this." The staff-in-charge changed his/her description of the conversation with DRCC to he/she wanted to know who did this in order to explain to the complainant how unfair it is to DRCC and the child care center to take time to investigate false allegations.

In addition, a former employee interviewed by DRCC disclosed that he/she was made aware that the staff-in-charge had threatened staff members after DRCC visited the child care center on 10/22/23. The former employee disclosed on 10/23/19 the staff-in-charge apologized in the child care center group text. The copy of the text reads, "I'm sorry I lost my temper. it make me so upset when people are trying to take away what I have built. I provide for over 27 families that is a lot to carry, and I get sooo upset when someone tries to take away they way people are paying their bills. it's not right no matter "who it is".

Base on the totality of the above-mentioned events, the child care center failed to fully cooperate with the state agency during an inspection or investigation by attempting to intimidate employees who may have wanted to exercise their right to raise concerns about possible regulatory violations within the child care center.

Premises In Compliance



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