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Inspection Report

Provider Information

Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I

Capacity: 65

Director(s): Payne, Joanne 'Patsy' H.

CLR No: 1 383767

Provider Address: 638 Old Hodgenville Rd., Greensburg, KY, 42743

Owner(s): Little Lambs Learning Center

Inspection Type: Renewal Application

Date Initiated: 06/12/2019 11:20 AM

Provider Name: Little Lambs Learning Center

Inspection Information

Date Concluded: 06/12/2019 1:35 PM

No. of Children Present: 43

Inspection No: 278554

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 review of documentation and the National Background Check Program, the surveyor found no verification that a staff (DOH: 3/28/16) has completed the background check. Through interview, the surveyor was informed that the staff person has completed the background check and also works at another childcare location. However, the background check was not presented to the surveyor for review.

Supervision

In Compliance

Staffing Requirements

In Compliance

General Administration

In Compliance



Director Requirements

Not In Compliance

345 - Staff Evaluation Not In Compliance

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

- (1) A director shall:
- (j) Assess each staff person's interaction with children in care and classroom performance through an annual written performance evaluation;

Findings:

General: Based on observation, review of documentation, and interview, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. A staff's (DOH: 1/8/18) annual performance evaluation was not signed or dated. Through interview, the surveyor learned a current performance evaluation was not available for review.
- 2. A staff's (DOH: 3/28/16) personnel file did not contain an annual performance evaluation. Through interview, the surveyor learned the performance evaluation was not available for review.
- 3. A staff's (DOH: 10/24/16) personnel file did not contain an annual performance evaluation. Through interview, the surveyor learned the performance evaluation was not available for review.

350 - Health, Safety, Comfort Not In Compliance

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

- (1) A director shall:
- (I) Assure the health, safety, and comfort of each child;

Findings:

General: Based on observation during a tour of the childcare center, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. The surveyor observed a plunger beside the toilet located in the Girls' restroom. The plunger was accessible to the children.
- 2. The surveyor observed that a television was placed on top of the cubbies. The television was not secured; thus, creating a safety risk to the children.
- 3. The surveyor observed that sippy cups were in the sink located in the Infants' Classroom. A staff person changed a child's diaper and washed her hands over the sippy cups. Through interview, the staff person stated that she washes the sippy cups using dish detergent and water. She confirmed that she does not use bleach or sanitizer prior to returning the cups to the children; therefore, creating the risk of cross contamination.

Employee Records

Not In Compliance

395 - TB Verification Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 11. Staff Requirements.

- (1) Child-care center staff:
- (b) Shall provide, prior to employment and every two (2) years thereafter:
- 1. A statement from a health professional that the individual is free of active tuberculosis: or
- 2. A copy of negative tuberculin results.

Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation and interview, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. A copy of a staff's (DOH: 3/21/19) negative tuberculin result or statement from a health professional that the individual is free of active tuberculosis was not presented for the surveyor for review during the renewal survey conducted on 6/12/19.
- 2. The copy of a staff's (DOH: 3/28/16) negative tuberculin result was dated 9/22/16; therefore, no longer current as of 9/22/18. Staff did not present the surveyor with an updated tuberculin result or statement from a health professional that the individual is free from active tuberculosis.

410 - Training Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 11. Staff Requirements.

- (16) In accordance with KRS 199.896(15) and (16), a staff person with supervisory authority over a child shall complete the following:
- (a) Six (6) hours of cabinet-approved orientation within the first three (3) months of employment;
- (b) Nine (9) hours of cabinet-approved early care and education training within the first year of employment, including one and one-half (1 $\frac{1}{2}$) hours of cabinet-approved pediatric abusive head trauma training; and
- (c) Fifteen (15) hours of cabinet-approved early care and education training during each subsequent year of employment, including one and one-half (1 ½) hours of cabinet-approved pediatric abusive head trauma training completed once every five (5) years.

Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation and ECE-TRIS, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. The surveyor found no verification that a staff (DOH: 3/11/19) completed six (6) hours of cabinet-approved orientation training within the first three (3) months of employment.
- 2. The surveyor found no verification that a staff (DOH: 10/24/16) completed any cabinet-approved early care and education annual training hours for the review period of 10/24/17 through 10/23/18.
- 3. The surveyor found verification that a staff (DOH: 3/28/16) completed only one (1) hour of cabinet-approved early care and education annual training for the review period of 3/28/18 through 3/27/19.



Programming

Not In Compliance

420 - Program of Activities Followed

Not In Compliance

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

- (4) The child-care center shall provide a daily planned program:
- (a) Posted in writing in a conspicuous location with each age group and followed;
- (b) Of activities that are individualized and developmentally appropriate for each child served;
- (c) That provides experience to promote the individual child's physical, emotional, social, and intellectual growth and well-being; and
- (d) Unless the child-care center is a before- or after-school program that operates part day or less, that offers a variety of creative activities including:
- 1. Art or music;
- 2. Math or numbers;
- 3. Dramatic play:
- 4. Stories and books:
- 5. Science or nature:
- 6. Block building or stacking;
- 7. Tactile or sensory activity;
- 8. Multi-cultural exposure;
- 9. Indoor or outdoor play in which a child makes use of both small and large muscles;
- 10. A balance of active and quiet play, including group and individual activity;
- 11. An opportunity for a child to:
- a. Have some free choice of activities;
- b. If desired, play apart from the group at times;

Findings:

General: Based on observation during a tour of the School-age Room, the surveyor found that the daily planned program was not posted.

480 - Infant/Toddler Combined with Older Children

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 5. Infant and Toddler Play Requirements.

- (2) Except in accordance with subsection (3) of this section or Section 2(2)(c) of this administrative regulation, an infant or toddler under twenty-four (24) months of age shall not participate in an activity with an older child for no more than one (1) hour per day.
- (3) If a toddler is developmentally appropriate for a transition to a preschool age group, a toddler may participate in an activity with an older child for more than one (1) hour per day if:
- (a) Space for the toddler is available in the preschool-age group;
- (b) The staff-to-child ratios and group sizes are maintained based on the age of the youngest child;
- (c) The center has a procedure for listing a transitioning toddler on attendance records, including a specific day and time the toddler is with
- (d) The child care center has obtained the signature and approval of the toddler's parent on the toddler's transition plan.

Findings:

General: Based on observation during a tour of the classroom for the two-year-old children, the surveyor found that two (2) staff were providing care for a one-year-old child, four (4) two-year-old children and four (4) three-year-old children. Through interview, staff reported the children were in the mixed-age group for the entirety of the day. Additionally, the surveyor found no transition plans for the two-year-old children.

Premises Not In Compliance

520 - Inaccessible Items Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 3. General Requirements.

- (7) The following shall be inaccessible to a child in care:
- (a) Toxic cleaning supplies, poisons, and insecticides;
- (b) Matches, cigarettes, lighters, and flammable liquids; and
- (c) Personal belongings and medications of staff.

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. The surveyor observed a cell phone on a table in the School-age Room. Through interview, the surveyor learned that the cell phone belonged to a staff person. The phone was within reach of the children.
- 2. The surveyor observed that a purse was stored in a cubby located in the classroom for two and three-year-old children. Through interview with staff, the surveyor learned that the purse belonged to a staff person. The purse was within reach of the children.
- 3. The surveyor observed that a purse and keys was stored in a cubby located in the Preschool Room. Through interview with staff, the surveyor learned that the purse and keys belonged to a staff person. The items was within reach of the children.

540 - Premises Requirements

Not In Compliance

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

- (1) The premises shall be:
- (a) Suitable for the purpose intended;
- (b) Kept clean and in good repair;

Findings:

General: Based on observation during a tour of the childcare center, the surveyor observed a thick coat of dust on the air intake fan in the School-age Room.



650 - Toilet

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

- (4) Each toilet shall:
- (a) Be kept in clean condition;
- (b) Be kept in good repair;
- (c) Be in a lighted room; and
- (d) Have ventilation to outside air.

Findings:

General: Based on observation during a tour of the childcare center, the surveyor found a yellow dried-on substance on the base of the toilet located in the boys' restroom.

Hygienic Practices

Not In Compliance

Not In Compliance

710 - Toy Sanitation Procedure

Not In Compliance

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

- (4) A toy or another item that is considered a mouth contact surface by a child not toilet trained shall be sanitized daily by:
- (a)1. Scrubbing in warm, soapy water using a brush to reach into crevices;
- 2. Rinsing in clean water;
- 3. Submerging in a sanitizing solution for at least two (2) minutes; and
- 4. Air dried: or
- (b) Cleaning in a dishwasher if the toy or other item is dishwasher safe.

Findings:

General: Based on interview during a tour of the Infant Room, the surveyor learned that staff spray the mouth contact toys with bleach water rather than submerging the toys in a sanitizing solution for at least two (2) minutes.

First Aid/Medication

In Compliance

Outdoor Play Area

Not In Compliance

745 - Playground Clean Not In Compliance

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

- (20) An outdoor play area shall be:
- (c) Free from:
- 1. Litter;
- 2. Glass;
- 3. Rubbish; and
- 4. Flammable materials;

Findings:

General: Based on observation during a tour of the playground, the surveyor found a large garbage can filled with trash, a cardboard box, a small garbage can filled with trash, a diaper genie and two (2) umbrella stands. The playground was not maintained in an appropriate condition.

750 - Playground Conditions

Not In Compliance

- 922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements. (20) An outdoor play area shall be:
- (20) An outdoor play area shall be
- (d) Safe from foreseeable hazard;
- (e) Well drained;
- (f) Well maintained;
- (g) In good repair; and
- (h) Visible to staff at all times.

Findings:

815 - Toys/Furniture

General: Based on observation during a tour of the playground, the surveyor found that the mulch is contained with a landscape barrier that is held in place with large nail-like spikes. The spikes were sticking upward out of the barrier, thus, creating a risk to the children.

Equipment

Not In Compliance
Not In Compliance

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

- (1) All toys and furniture contacted by a child shall be:
- (a) Kept clean and in good repair; and
- (b) Free of peeling, flaking, or chalking paint.

Findings

General: Based on observation during a tour of the childcare center, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. The surveyor observed tears in the vinyl covering on a blue child-size couch and a green child-size chair located in the School-age Room. The couch and chair were not in good repair.
- 2. The surveyor observed tears in the vinyl covering on a yellow child-size couch and a red child-size chair located in the Preschool Room. The couch and chair were not in good repair.



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 during a tour of the Infant Room, the surveyor found a hole in a crib sheet that was on a crib mattress in a baby bed. Through interview, the staff confirmed that a child was currently using the baby bed. The sheet was not in good repair.

Transportation

Not Applicable

Food Service/Food Program

In Compliance

Food Service

Not In Compliance

1025 - Refrigerator Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 8. Kitchen Requirements.

- (4) A cold-storage facility used for storage of perishable food in a nonfrozen state shall:
- (a) Have an indicating thermometer or other appropriate temperature measuring device;
- (b) Be in a safe environment for preservation; and
- (c) Be forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or below.

Findings:

General: Based on observation during a tour of the kitchen, the surveyor found no thermometer in the refrigerator; therefore, the interior temperature of the refrigerator could not be determined

Children's Records

Not In Compliance
Not In Compliance

Not In Compliance

1135 - Immunization

922 KAR 2:090, Section 9, Records,

- (1) A child-care center shall maintain:
- (a) A current immunization certificate for each child in care within thirty (30) days of the child's enrollment, unless an attending physician or the child's parent objects to the immunization of the child pursuant to KRS 214.036;

Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation, the surveyor found that a child's (DOE: 3/30/18) immunization certificate was no longer current as of 1/3/19. Interview with staff found that updated verification of immunization was not available for review.

1140 - Enrollment Information

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 in ten (10) of the children's enrollment packets, the surveyor found that three (3) did not contain information to enable a person in charge to contact the preferred hospital.



Written Documentation

Not In Compliance

1175 - Earthquake/Tornado/Fire Drills

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 9. Records.

- (1) A child-care center shall maintain:
- (h) A written record of quarterly practiced earthquake drills and tornado drills detailing the date, time, and children who participated in accordance with 922 KAR 2:120, Section 3;
- (i) A written record of practiced fire drills conducted monthly detailing the date, time, and children who participated in accordance with 922 KAR 2:120, Section 3;

Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation, the surveyor found no verification that the staff and children practiced an earthquake drill or tornado drill during the first quarter of 2019.

Posted Documentation

In Compliance

Animals

Not Applicable

Title Date