

Notice of Findings

Notice To: Anne M Ochsner - Director
Facility Name: First Steps Childcare and Preschool
Owner: Anne Ochsner
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City/State/Zip: Cheyenne, WY 82009

The Department of Family Services has completed the investigation regarding alleged violation(s) of the Wyoming Child Care Rules received on 06/14/2019, and investigated by Denise J Holte.

A statement of childcare allegation, CPL-4754, was provided on 06/19/2019.

The finding is listed below for each individual alleged violation of the Wyoming Child Care Licensing Rules:

1. Finding: Non-Compliant

Regulation: Chapter 4. General Requirements
Section 19. Infant and/or Toddler Care

(b) Sleeping infants shall:

(iii) Have nothing placed in or over the crib, bassinet, or play pen;

Allegation: It was reported that during the week of 6/10/2019 large blankets were observed in the rest equipment in the infant room. The Wyoming Child Care Licensing Rules 2016 require that nothing be placed in the rest equipment.

Explanation of Findings: The investigation revealed a finding of non compliant based on the interviews. An infant was found by the assistant director during a facility tour with a heavy blanket in a bassinet during the week of 6/10/2019. The Wyoming Child Care Licensing Rules 2016 do not allow anything to be placed in the rest equipment other than a pacifier.

Action Required: Please complete the enclosed Corrective Action Plan on or before 7/8/2019 for approval. You may include the trainings that you provide, any follow up/observations, consequences, etc that you follow in the infant classroom. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Corrective Action Plan Due Date:
Corrective Action Plan Achieved Date:
Compliance Due Date: 07/08/2019
Compliance Achieved Date: 07/01/2019

2. Finding: Compliant

Regulation: Chapter 4. General Requirements

Section 19. Infant and/or Toddler Care

(b) Sleeping infants shall:

(ii) Be placed on a firm, flat surface for sleeping;

Allegation: The reporter alleges that during the week of 6/10/2019 it was observed that the mattresses in the bassinets are uneven. The Wyoming Child Care Licensing rules require a firm, flat surface for sleeping.

Explanation of Findings: The investigation did not reveal findings to support the allegation.

Corrective Action Plan Due Date:

Corrective Action Plan Achieved Date:

Compliance Due Date:

Compliance Achieved Date:

The Department requests your cooperation in ensuring compliance is met. In the absence of cooperation, the Department may take whatever steps are necessary to ensure the safety of children.

The Department's information may be shared with the authorized individuals or agencies, which include, but are not limited to, the Attorney General, County Attorney, and law enforcement.

If you disagree with the Department's finding of non-compliance for a violation, you may request an Administrative hearing within (10) days of your receipt of this letter (W.S. 14-4-108). Administrative hearing procedures are included in the Department of Family Services' **Wyoming Child Care Licensing Rules, Chapter 3, Section 5: Contested Case Hearing Rules**, and based upon the above statute. If you have questions, or need a copy of the Rules, you may contact the Department of Family Services Field office in the county where you live.

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