

Notice of Findings

Notice To: Janice E Lawrence - Director
Facility Name: Basic Beginnings South
Owner: Jan Lawrence
Site Address: 3520 Garfield
City/State/Zip: Laramie, WY 82070

The Department of Family Services has completed the investigation regarding alleged violation(s) of the Wyoming Child Care Rules received on 09/15/2022, and investigated by Kristi Bennick.

A statement of childcare allegation, CPL-5366, was provided on 10/05/2022.

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 6. Discipline and Guidance.

(d) The following behavior shall be prohibited in all child care settings:

(ii) Rough handling of children, including but not limited to hitting, spanking, beating, shaking, pinching, pushing or other measures that could produce physical pain;

Allegation: A one year old was roughly placed on a mattress in the adjoining classroom on 9/15/22.

Explanation of Findings: A finding of non-compliance is based on interviews and evidence gathered throughout the investigation that show a one year old child was on the mattress in a forceful manner.

Action Required: Prior to Licensor's visit, the director took steps to add additional discipline and guidance training for staff connected to the incident, as well as making additional staff available as support to classroom teachers when the need arises. Please submit a Corrective action plan detailing these measures, including the names of teachers/ staff who attended the training, and how classroom teachers will access the additional supports, to the Licensing office by 10/19/22.

Corrective Action Plan Due Date: 10/19/2022

Corrective Action Plan Achieved Date:

Compliance Due Date: 10/19/2022

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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Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Bennick', written over a set of horizontal lines.

Kristi Bennick

Date: 10/05/2022

CC:

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