

Notice of Findings

Notice To: Francie N Gregory - Director
Facility Name: Weston County Childrens Center
Owner:
Site Address: 104 Stampede
City/State/Zip: Newcastle, WY 82701

The Department of Family Services has completed the investigation regarding alleged violation(s) of the Wyoming Child Care Rules received on 01/04/2022, and investigated by Irene Maurer.

A statement of childcare allegation, CPL-5205, was provided on 01/26/2022.

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 19. Infant and/or Toddler Care
(b) Sleeping infants shall:
(ii) Be placed on a firm, flat surface for sleeping;

Allegation: It has been reported that on November 16, 2021, an infant was propped up on a bobby pillow to sleep.

Explanation of Findings: Through evidence and interviews obtained over the course of this investigation, it has been found that an infant was propped on a bobby to sleep on November 16,2021.

Action Required: Immediately discontinue the practice of propping infants to sleep on bobby pillows. Complete the corrective action plan detailing how the facility will ensure infants are slept safely and according to child care licensing rules.

Corrective Action Plan Due Date: 03/18/2022
Corrective Action Plan Achieved Date:
Compliance Due Date: 01/26/2022
Compliance Achieved Date: 01/26/2022

2. Finding: 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: It has been reported that on or around September 13, 2021, a staff member grabbed a child's face with 2 hands.

Explanation of Findings: Evidence supports a finding of compliance at this time.

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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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Irene Maurer', written over a horizontal line.

Date: 03/21/2022

Irene Maurer

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