

Notice of Findings

Notice To: Megan Anderson - Director
Facility Name: Kangaroo Ranch Play and Learn Center
Owner: Stefanie Thornton
Site Address: 2814 Dogwood Avenue
City/State/Zip: Gillette, WY 82718

The Department of Family Services has completed the investigation regarding alleged violation(s) of the Wyoming Child Care Rules received on 04/14/2021, and investigated by Kristi Bennick.

A statement of childcare allegation, CPL-5076, was provided on 04/21/2021.

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

1. 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: Reporter alleges that staff, Lationo Dudley, dragged a child by the ear while the child was still on the ground for about 2-3inches.

Explanation of Findings: Evidence gathered through interviews with director, owner, and staff do not support a finding of non-compliance.

Corrective Action Plan Due Date:

Corrective Action Plan Achieved Date:

Compliance Due Date:

Compliance Achieved Date:

2. Finding: Compliant

Regulation: Chapter 4. General Requirements
Section 14. Health and Safety Requirements

(h) A sufficient supply of clean, dry diapers shall be available, and diapers shall be changed as frequently as needed. Diaper changing shall be documented for each infant and available to the parent.

Allegation: Reporter alleges that children remain in dirty diapers for up to one hour.

Explanation of Findings: Allegation unfounded based on up-to-date diaper logs. The facility has a log for each child in diapers and potty training. It was current at the time of the visit.

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Compliance Achieved Date:

3. Finding: Compliant

Regulation: Chapter 4. General Requirements

Section 6. Discipline and Guidance

(b) When "time out" is used, it shall:

Allegation: Reporter alleges that staff drag children to the time out area by their arms or legs.

Explanation of Findings: Evidence gathered does not support a finding of non-compliance.

Corrective Action Plan Due Date:

Corrective Action Plan Achieved Date:

Compliance Due Date:

Compliance Achieved Date:

4. Finding: Compliant

Regulation: Chapter 4. General Requirements

Section 14. Health and Safety Requirements

(c) The overall condition of the child care facility and grounds, including play areas, equipment, and toys, shall be maintained in a clean, uncluttered, safe condition and free of hazards.

Allegation: Reporter alleges the back room of the child care is not safe for children because it has a garage style door and bikes hanging on the walls that could fall off.

Explanation of Findings: The allegation is unfounded based on Licensor's observation. The garage door is disconnected and there were no bikes hanging in the motor room.

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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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