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Subject: FW: Creative Kids Greenville

What are your thoughts here, Holly? I've stressed to Marilyn that it is extremely important for them to provide proper context on these citations and for them to explain that these citations are not egregious or abnormal and have all been resolved.

From: Matheus, Marilyn [<mailto:Marilyn.Matheus@dss.sc.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 2:11 PM
To: Symmes, Brian
Cc: Wingo, Karen
Subject: RE: Creative Kids Greenville

Thanks Brian. We could provide all inquiring outlets with the following summary of the facility's recent citations and corrective actions in order to be consistent with what we release:

Citation History:

01-06-2014 Unannounced Supervisory Visit. No deficiencies cited.

01-29-2015 Unannounced Supervisory Visit. Cited infant asleep in swing and another asleep in a car seat (corrected on-site), and repair tiles around toilet in girls restroom in K4/After-School Building.

02-25-2015 Unannounced follow-up visit. All deficiencies cleared. No new deficiencies cited.

01-21-2016 Unannounced Supervisory Visit. Cited cushioning on playground and unlabeled infant bottle (corrected on-site).

02-26-2016 Unannounced follow-up visit. Cleared existing deficiencies. Cited new employee without proof that she was free from TB and staff member mopped floor with chemicals in the presence of children sleeping on mats on the floor.

03-28-2016 Unannounced follow-up visit. All deficiencies cleared

From: Symmes, Brian [<mailto:BrianSymmes@gov.sc.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 2:06 PM
To: Matheus, Marilyn <Marilyn.Matheus@dss.sc.gov>
Cc: Wingo, Karen <Karen.Wingo@dss.sc.gov>
Subject: Re: Creative Kids Greenville

Marilyn, I will call you on this shortly. Thanks for sending it over.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 12, 2016, at 1:48 PM, Matheus, Marilyn <Marilyn.Matheus@dss.sc.gov> wrote:

Planning to send this to WYFF – okay?

Gabrielle,
Please see the responses to your questions.

If possible, please answer the following questions:

- 1) Can you provide me with an explanation of the "Hazards" Deficiency on 2/26/16? The facility was mopping the floor with chemicals while children were sleeping. How was this resolved, and why was it considered High severity? The specialist visited in March during naptime to verify that there was no mopping and no buckets present in rooms where children were sleeping. It was considered high severity because chemicals should not be used around the children.
- 2) Can you provide me with an explanation of the "Feeding" Deficiency on 2/21/16? On 1/21/16, staff cited the facility for having unlabeled bottles. How was this resolved? They labeled the bottles so it was corrected on site.
- 3) Why was Creative Kids inspected in January AND February of this year? January was their annual inspection visit and February was a follow-up to ensure that the deficiencies were corrected..

I would like to be able to provide some information for our viewers about the difference between LICENSED and REGISTERED child care centers. Can you please explain the difference between the two? Only faith-based centers may be registered by law. All other centers must be licensed. The requirements for the two are quite similar. See <http://scchildcare.org/parents/kinds-of-child-care.aspx> for a description of each.

- 4) I see that Creative Kids is a Licensed child care center. Is this true? Yes
- 5) How often are Licensed child care centers inspected? At least annually; however, follow-up visits are always made to ensure the deficiencies are corrected.
- 6) How often are Registered child care centers inspected? At least annually; however, follow-up visits are always made to ensure the deficiencies are corrected.

Many thanks for your help,
Gabrielle Komorowski

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