



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Child Care Facility Inspection Report

BLESSED BEGINNERS

License #: 1726

Director: JANICE PATTERSON

Inspection Date: 09/08/2023

Follow-Up Inspection

Inspector: LeKesha Sandifer

Program Administration Violations Cited

1. **Out of Compliance:** All staff members have a valid Letter of Suitability on file. (Rule 1.5.2 Page 21)

Plan of Correction

1. **POC:** Letter of suitability-based on observation during record review, the facility failed to conduct the required criminal history records check, for 1 employee. This 1 employee was alone in separate classroom providing unsupervised care to the children. This was corrected by sending caregiver home and the owner going in the infant classroom. Director stated and showed documentation finger prints were done 6/14/23 a call was made to fingerprint unit and was told they would need to complete the child abuse registry check again due to it being rejected.

Person Responsible: Owner/Director **Date for Completion:** 9/8/23

Infant Classroom Violations Cited

Infant - Classroom Number: 3

1. **Out of Compliance:** Food stored or prepared in jars is served from a dish separate from storage jar. Leftovers in jar shall be labeled with: (1) child's name and (2) date opened. Leftovers must be used within next 24 hours or discarded. No food placed in serving dish shall be stored or reused. (Rule 1.18.4 Page 81)

Infant Classroom - Classroom Number: 3

1. **POC:** Licensing official observed infants being fed from one plate. It was explained to the owner that each child must have their own plate/bowl. This was corrected onsite.

Person Responsible: Owner **Date for Completion:** 9/8/23

Toddler Classroom Violations Cited

1-3 Year Old - Classroom Number: 2

No violations cited.

Toddler Classroom - Classroom Number: 2

1. **POC:** Staff to child Ratio-Based on observation the facility failed to maintain the correct staff to child ratio. There were 15 children present ages 1-2 years old alone with 1 caregiver. The staff to child ratio for 1 year old is 1:9 this resulted in the classroom being over staff to child ratio by 6. This was corrected by placing (6) 2 year old children in room #1. The director/owner will be responsible for ensuring compliance at all times TA was provided. This same deficiency was cited on 6/12/23. A capacity worksheet helper was given.

Person Responsible: Owner/Director **Date for Completion:** 9/8/23

Preschool Classroom Violations Cited

3-4 Year - Classroom Number: 1

No violations cited.

Preschool Classroom - Classroom Number: 1

Legend

- COS: Corrected on Site
- POC: Plan of Correction

Child Care Director Signature

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Bridget
Robinson

MSDH Licensure Representative Signature

Leticia Sandoz