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Family Child Care Complaint Inspection Summary Report

All licensed child care programs are inspected at least once each year. Non-compliances are documented and grouped as Serious, Moderate or Low risk violations. Documenting statements and supplemental information may be included in this report. Licensing inspection reports from the previous three years can be viewed on the child care website at http://jfs.ohio.gov/CDC/childcare.stm. This includes complaint investigation reports with substantiated allegations. For any other child care records, please contact the Child Care Help Desk at 1-877-302-2347, option 4.

Program Details		
Program Name Ez steps childcare llc	Program Number 2200022780	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 3569 QUICKWATER DR GROVE CITY OH 43123		County FRANKLIN

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) Angela Staso	Inspection Day 11/25/2024	Begin Time 12:05 PM	End Time 1:33 PM

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
23	8	0	1	7

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
EZ Steps Childcare LLC	Mixed Age Group	1 to 2	

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Complaint Allegations

If a program disagrees with a licensing finding, the program may request a review of the finding(s). Ohio Administrative Code 5101:2-12-03 and 5101:2-13-03 detail the process for submitting a request for review. The request for review must be submitted within seven business days from the receipt of the licensing report. In addition, if the program is star rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited.

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment
Code: The program is required to be kept clean to prevent an infestation of insects or rodents.

Allegation: roach infestation

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program was not kept clean to prevent an infestation by insects or rodents. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Risk Level: Low

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/28/2025

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks
Code: The program is required to safely store food.

Allegation: Cooking/serving unsafe food

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During this inspection, it was determined that food was not stored in a safe manner as noted in number 5 below:
1. The refrigerator did not maintain a temperature of 40 degrees Fahrenheit or below;
2. Milk was not refrigerated for approximately ( ) minutes after being served;
3. Food was observed thawing on the counter;
4. Spoiled food was served to children.
5. Other: dead bugs were observed in the refrigerator.
Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Risk Level: Low

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Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

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No Additional Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-13-12 Safe Environment
Code: The program is required to protect children from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well-being.

Findings: Children in care shall be protected from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well-being. During the inspection, it was determined the program did not protect children from an unsafe item due to the following number 5 below:

1. Pull cord(s) on the window blind(s).
2. Extension cord(s); electrical cord(s) attached to an object that could result in a severe injury if pulled.
3. Stacked tables.
4. Folding tables.
5. Matches and/or a lighter.
6. Power tool(s).
7. Live wires.
8. Stove(s) that are either on or able to be turned on by a child.
9. Asbestos.
10. Traffic.
11. A body of water.
12. A well.
13. Environmental hazard(s) confirmed by local authorities having jurisdiction over the hazard.
14. A crockpot used to heat bottles.
15. Immediate access to a knife.
16. Large or heavy pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.
17. Marijuana was accessible to children.
18. Other [ ].

Any hazardous equipment must be removed, replaced, or repaired and any hazardous condition must be corrected and must be made inaccessible to children. Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the item or condition has been removed and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment
Code: The program is required to follow the cleaning schedule for equipment.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program was not providing a clean and healthy environment, furniture, materials and equipment as required by Appendix A, as noted in numbers 14, 17, & 29 below:

1. Item(s) soiled with blood or bodily fluids were not cleaned/sanitized immediately.
2. Blankets/sheets were not cleaned weekly, when soiled, or before use by another child.
3. Children's individual blankets and belongings were stored in an unsanitary manner.
4. Bottles, bottle caps, nipples and other equipment used for bottle feeding were not cleaned and sanitized in a dishwasher or by washing, rinsing, and boiling for one minute.
5. Carpets were not vacuumed weekly or cleaned when soiled.
6. Changing table/pad was not sanitized after each use or cleaned when visibly soiled.
7. Reusable cloths were not being washed daily or when visibly soiled.
8. Cots/Pads/Mats were not cleaned and sanitized before assigning to a different child, when used by a sick child, when soiled or at least every three months.
9. Cribs were not cleaned and sanitized monthly, or when soiled, or before use by another child.
10. Diaper Receptacles were not cleaned and sanitized daily or more frequently as needed to eliminate odor.
11. Dishes/Cups/Silverware were not cleaned and sanitized after each use.
12. Water Containers were not labeled with the child's name, or were not cleaned and sanitized before use again on another day.
13. Dress up clothes and hats (dramatic play) were not cleaned monthly or when soiled.
14. Floors were not cleaned weekly or when soiled.
15. The food prep area, including sinks, were not cleaned before and after preparing food (including bottle preparation) or between preparing raw or cooked food.
16. Potty chairs were not cleaned after each use, rinsed with water, cleaned and sanitized or contents were not emptied into a toilet.
17. Food tables, highchair trays were not cleaned before and after each use.
18. Tables used for play were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized daily.
19. Toilet bowls were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized weekly.
20. Toilet seat(s), handle(s) and hand washing sink(s) were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized daily.
21. Mouthed toys were not cleaned and sanitized after each child’s use.
22. Toys, other than those mouthed by children, were not cleaned monthly or when visibly soiled.
23. Washable furniture, including fabrics on infant equipment, were not cleaned weekly or when soiled.
24. Upholstered furniture was not steam cleaned when soiled.
25. Slip covers were not washed at least every six months or when soiled.
26. Wastebaskets/rinse buckets, including lids, were not being emptied daily or cleaned and sanitized when visibly soiled.
27. The manufacturer’s directions for the cleaning product were not followed.
28. The solution used for sanitizing was not a commercial product registered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a sanitizer.

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29. Other: broom and dustpan were accessible in the kitchen.

Furniture, materials and equipment must be maintained according to the cleaning and sanitizing schedule in Appendix A to this rule. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-13-12 Pets
Code: The program is required to properly care for pets and prevent any threat to the safety or health of the children by the pet.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined pets at the program were not properly housed or cared for or posed a threat to the safety or health of the children as noted in number 6 below:

1. The animal's cage was dirty with feces.
2. The aquarium was unclean.
3. The litter box was dirty with feces.
4. A pet posed a threat to the safety of a child in that [ ].
5. A pet requiring a license did not have a current license.
6. Proper inoculation records were not on file at the program for a pet requiring inoculations.
7. Children were exposed to the pet's urine and/or feces.
8. Other [ ].

A pet that poses a threat to the children shall not be at the program. All pets at the program must receive proper care and housing. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-13-16 Communicable Diseases
Code: The program is required to post the Ohio Communicable Disease Chart in a noticeable area.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the Ohio Communicable Disease Chart was not posted as required , as indicated in the number 3 below:

1. In a location readily available to provider, child care staff members, employees, and residents;
2. The chart was not posted.
3. The posted chart was not the current version.
4. The posted chart was not displayed in the size available in the ODJFS forms central to be easily read.

Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: 07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5101:2-13-20 Crib and Playpen Requirements
Code: The program is required to refrain from using a crib that is assigned to a child for storage.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that a playpen, assigned to a child, was used for storage. Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

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Domain: 10 Written Policies & Procedures

Rule: 5101:2-13 Written Policies and Procedures
Code: The program's written policies and procedures are to be given to all parents and employees and be available at the program.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the written policies and procedures were not available at the program as required. A copy must be made available onsite for review. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with this rule.

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