



CHILD CARE CENTER LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

12 July 2018

Highland Plaza Building, Auditorium
3760 South Highland Drive
Salt Lake City, UT

Members Present: Dale Smith, Laura Brown, Scott Smith, Jody Zabriskie, and Genevieve Romero

Members Excused: none

Members Absent: none

Department of Health and Child Care Licensing Staff Present: Simon Bolivar, Donna Thomas, Kim Rice, Jessica Strout, Sarah Atherton, Jolene Holbrook, Katie Adams, Charlotte Woodward, Hannah Wiley, Avis Burrows, Linda Lee, Kat Martinez, Paula Mills, Karen Adams, Sue Kirkham, and Joan Isom

AGENCY REPORTS

Child Care Licensing – Kat Martinez

- Child Care Licensing now has a Facebook page.
- Over 400 people saw the posting for requests for committee members. A lot of those who saw the posting shared the information.

Office of Child Care – Karrie Phillips

- They received increased funding from the federal government and are increasing the amount of subsidy payments for licensed center and licensed family providers. This will go into effective October 1, 2018.
- They concluded the public meetings about the Child Care Quality System and have a framework for the center pilot program for centers.
- High Quality and High Quality Plus providers will be eligible for separate monthly Enhanced Subsidy payments. This will go into effective October 2019 for center providers.
- In the beginning 2019, they will start doing mass observations of center providers so they will be eligible to get a quality rating.
- The rating system tool for home providers is being revised. This will delay the Enhanced Subsidy payments for home providers. However, home providers can apply for the Family Child Care Quality project. This is a grant program for family providers. There will be onsite coaching, peer learning meetings, and observations with a tool that rates interactions between caregivers and children.
- There are Family Childcare Specialists in every Care About Childcare agency.
- The Office of Child Care has a job opening for a Program Specialist with family child care experience.
- They have a new email address – ccqs@utah.gov.

WELCOME

At 12:00 pm, Jody welcomed everyone and started the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the May meeting were approved via email.

ASSIGNMENT FOLLOW-UPS

Simon

Create a waiver form regarding the dangers of infants sleeping in car seats. - done

- Jodi and Laura would rather the written permission come from a physician and not a parent.
- Laura made a motion to draft a change to the rule so it requires the form be used for parental permission for allowing infants sleep in unsafe equipment.
- Dale seconded the motion.
- Laura, Dale, Scott were in favor of the motion.
- Jodi and Genevieve were opposed to the motion.
- The motion passed.

Simon will draft a rule with the change and present it at the next committee meeting.

Send all providers and post on CCL website research information on dangers of infants sleeping in car seats and have this information included in trainings. - done

NEW BUSINESS

New proposed rule changes public comments and effective date

- Copies of the comments were emailed to the committee members in advance.
- CCL received a total of four comments on the proposed rule changes from the public during the public comment period. There was an additional comment not received directly or during the public comment period, but it was considered important enough to be taken into consideration. This additional comment was addressed during the meeting and additional rule changes were proposed to address that comment.

Among the comments received, there were comments and questions addressing other topics not included in the proposed rule changes. Those unrelated comments and questions have been discussed in the program, with the committees, or directly answered to the commenter.

The comments received about the proposed rule changes included questions about the new appeal process time; the new background check requirements, processing time, and costs, and the way ratios were to be approached because of these changes; the definition of loose blankets; handwashing after touching animals; and the location of diapering stations.

All public comments were sent to the committee members for their review, discussed with program staff and during committee meeting, and answered as needed to commenters.

- Simon responded to all public comments.
 - The appeal time change 15 days was in response to a legislative audit.
 - Questions about background checks were answered.

- A definition of loose blankets will be added to interpretation manual.
- Children don't have to wash their hands immediately after touching animals but are not prohibited from doing so.
- Diapers cannot be changed where food is prepared or served.
- There were no public comments on the Exempt Rules.
After evaluation of these comments, both the Center Committee and the CCL program found no reason to stop the process of making these proposed rule changes effective.
- Simon proposed making the rules effective July 31, 2018.
 - Laura made a motion to have the proposed rules made effective July 31, 2018.
 - Dale seconded the motion.
 - All committee members were in favor of the motion.
 - The motion passed

New proposed background check rule changes –

- Simon presented the following proposed additions:
 - Technical fixes to address numbering and quoting other programs rules.
 - A prospective covered individual may begin work once they have passed a FBI or state fingerprint based check if they are supervised at all times by an individual who has passed a complete CCL background check until completion of all other background check components.
 - Fingerprints are not required if the covered individual has been associated with an active CCL facility in the past 180 days.
- Simon will create a draft these additional rules and present them at the next committee meeting.

New background check process -

- Background checks will be run in within 3 days after all the background check form is authorized, required fingerprints are received, and fees are paid.
- When FBI checks are completed before local checks, providers will receive an email with that information and it will be displayed on the provider portal.

[General information: Local checks are usually completed first; they can be done in about 30 minutes but may take longer when additional research is needed. Fingerprint checks can be done in about 6 hours but may take longer when the prints cannot be used or a name search is required.]

- Providers can now associate with their facility covered individuals with current background check cards. They do not have to submit another background check form for those individuals. When individuals don't have their cards, providers can contact any CCL employee for the BCU ID numbers. Providers can't associate individuals whose background checks will expire in the next 5 days or individuals with expired checks.

Accessible, loaded firearms immediate CMP

- Simon proposed to add having accessible, loaded firearms to the list of times when providers receive an immediate Civil Money Penalty.
- Simon clarified that, to be inaccessible, a firearm must be locked in a cabinet or area with a key, combination lock, or fingerprint lock and stored unloaded and separate from ammunition.

- Center Committee
 - Genevieve made a motion to have center providers receive a \$500 Immediate CMP for having an accessible and loaded firearm.
 - Scott seconded the motion
 - All committee members were in favor of the motion.
 - The motion passed.

Technical Rule changes –

- Some technical changes have to be made to the rules. They are mostly the punctuation for referencing another agency’s rule and numbering errors.
- The reference to the Foster Care Service rule will be removed and “unless the part of the building requesting a CCL license if physically separated from the other building services” will be added.
- The language to appeal to other agencies when those agencies are the ones who made the decision will be removed.

Simon will make a draft of these changes and present them at the next committee meeting.

Committee vacancies –

- Committee members and their terms are found on the CCL website.
- There are some committee members whose terms have expired. Those members can stay on the committee until a replacement is found. They can also apply to be on the committee for another term.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no additional public comments.

Jody ended the meeting at 12:33 pm

ASSIGNMENTS

None

UPCOMING 2018 MEETINGS

September 13 and November 8
 Highland Plaza Auditorium, 3760 S. Highland Dr., Salt Lake City, UT

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