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#### § 3280.2. Purpose.

The purpose of this chapter is to provide standards to aid in protecting the health, safety and rights of children and to reduce risks to children in group child day care homes. This chapter identifies the minimum level of compliance necessary to obtain the Department's certificate of compliance.

#### § 3280.3. Applicability.

- (a) This chapter applies to facilities in which out-of-home care is provided, at one time, for part of a 24-hour day to more than six but fewer than 16 older school-age level children or more than six but less than 13 children of any other age level, including:
  - (1) Care provided to a child at the parent's work site when the parent is not present in the child care space.
  - (2) Care provided in private or public, profit or nonprofit facilities.
  - (3) Care provided before or after the hours of instruction in nonpublic schools and in private nursery schools and kindergartens.
- (b) This chapter does not apply to:
  - (1) Care provided by relatives.
  - (2) Care furnished in places of worship during religious services.
  - (3) Care provided in a facility where the parent is present at all times child care is being provided.



- (4) Care provided during the hours of instruction in nonpublic schools and in private nursery schools and kindergartens.
- (c) A legal entity seeking to operate a child day care facility as defined in this chapter shall apply for an initial or renewal certificate of compliance in accordance with the requirements established in Chapter 20 (relating to licensure or approval of facilities and agencies).
- (d) Requirements relating to programs serving only school-age children are located at § 3280.221 (relating to requirements specific to school-age programs).

#### § 3280.4. Definitions.

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

ACIP — The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, United States Department of Health and Human Services.

*Act* — The Public Welfare Code (62 P. S. § § 101—1411).

Age level — The grouping category appropriate for the child's age.

- (i) Infant A child from birth to 1 year of age.
- (ii) Young toddler A child from 1 to 2 years of age.
- (iii) Older toddler A child from 2 to 3 years of age.
- (iv) *Preschool child* A child from 3 years of age to the date the child enters kindergarten in a public or private school system.
- (v) Young school-age child A child who attends kindergarten to the date the child enters the 4th grade of a public or private school system.
- (vi) Older school-age child A child who attends the 4th grade of a public or private school system through 15 years of age.



CPS — Children's Protective Services.

CPSL — Child Protective Services Law—Title 23 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Chapter 63 (relating to Child Protective Services Law).

CRNP — Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner.

Casual contact — The ordinary, routine and age-appropriate association of children, parents and facility persons in the course of daily assembly in a facility.

Certificate of compliance — A document issued by the Department to a legal entity permitting the entity to operate a specific type of facility at a specific location for a specific period of time according to applicable Department regulations. A certificate of compliance approves the operation of a facility subject to Article IX of the act (62 P. S. § § 901—922) or licenses the operation of a facility subject to Article X of the act (62 P. S. § § 1001—1056).

Child — A person 15 years of age or younger.

Child abuse — Serious physical or mental injury which is not explained by the available medical history as being accidental; sexual abuse or sexual exploitations; or serious physical neglect of a child if the injury, abuse or neglect of a child has been caused by the acts or omissions of the child's parent, by a person responsible for the child's welfare, by an individual residing in the same home as the child or by a paramour of the child's parent. A child will not be deemed to be physically or mentally abused for the sole reason that the child is in good faith being furnished treatment by spiritual means through prayer alone in accordance with the tenets and practices of a recognized church or religious denomination by an accredited practitioner thereof or is not provided specified medical treatment in the practice of religious beliefs or solely on the grounds of environmental factors which are beyond the control of the person responsible for the child's welfare, such as inadequate housing, furnishings, income, clothing and medical care.

Child care experience — Care for a child in lieu of care by the parent or guardian for part of a 24-hour day. The term includes care of foster children in a court-supervised arrangement. The term does not include care of related children who reside with an individual. The term does not include supervised onsite training in the case of a student who is fulfilling the requirements of a secondary or postsecondary child care training or educational curriculum.



Child with special needs — A child who has one or more of the following:

- (i) A disability or developmental delay identified on an IEP, an IFSP or a service agreement.
- (ii) A written behavioral plan that has been determined by a licensed physician, licensed psychologist or certified behavior analyst.
- (iii) A chronic health condition diagnosed by a licensed physician, physician's assistant or CRNP that requires health and related services of a type or amount beyond that required by children generally.

Communicable disease — An illness due to an infectious agent or its toxic products which is transmitted directly or indirectly by the infected agent to a susceptible host. Communicable diseases are specified in 28 Pa. Code Chapter 27 (relating to communicable and non-communicable diseases).

Department — The Department of Human Services of the Commonwealth.

Facility — A group child day care home.

Facility person — A primary staff person, a secondary staff person, a substitute staff person, a volunteer or another adult who serves in or is employed by a facility.

*Group* — Children assigned to the care of one, two or three staff persons. A group occupies a space or a defined part of a space.

Group child day care home — The premises in which care is provided at one time for more than six but fewer than 16 older school-age level children or more than six but fewer than 13 children of another age level who are unrelated to the operator. The term includes a facility located in a residence or another premises.

*IEP* — Individualized education program as defined in 22 Pa. Code § § 14.101 and § § 14.131—14.133 (relating to definitions; and IEP).

IFSP — Individualized family service plan as defined in § § 4226.5 and 4226.71—4226.77 (relating to definitions; and IFSPs).



*Inspection summary* — A document prepared by an agent of the Department describing each regulatory noncompliance item confirmed as a result of a facility inspection.

Legal entity — A person, society, corporation, governing authority or partnership that is legally responsible for the administration of one facility or several facilities, or one type of facility or several types of facilities.

Night care — Care for a child between the hours of 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.

*Operator* — The legal entity or a person designated by the legal entity to serve as the primary staff person.

Parent — The biological or adoptive mother or father or the guardian of the child.

Potentially hazardous food — A food that consists in whole or in part of milk or milk products, eggs, meat, poultry, fish, shellfish or other ingredients capable of supporting rapid and progressive growth of infectious or toxigenic microorganisms.

Relative — A parent, child, stepparent, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, half brother, half sister, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew. As applied to facilities subject to approval under Article IX of the act, the term also includes a stepbrother, stepsister or first cousin.

School-age care — Supervised child day care in a Departmentally certified facility during the hours when a child is not required to attend school.

Service agreement — A service agreement as defined in 22 Pa. Code § § 15.2 and 15.7 (relating to definitions; and service agreement).

Space — An indoor or outdoor area designed for child care that is large enough to accommodate the maximum number of children allowed under this chapter. A space may be used by more than one group of children.

Staff person — A person included in the regulatory ratio and who is responsible for child care activities.



Supervise — To be physically present with a group of children or with the facility person under supervision. Critical oversight in which the supervisor can see, hear, direct and assess the activity of the supervisee.

*Volunteer* — A person 16 years of age or older who is not included in the regulatory ratio, and who assists in implementing daily program activities under the supervision of a staff person.

Waiver — The Department's written exemption from the requirement of meeting a standard set forth in this chapter.

*Year* — For purposes of calculating, 1 year of child care experience is a minimum of 1,250 clock hours.



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BUILDING CODES			
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A certificate of compliance will not be granted by the Department until the			
legal entity provides a certificate of occupancy as proof of compliance			
with the applicable requirements of the Department of Labor and Industry			
in 34 Pa. Code § 403.23 (relating to child day care facilities).			
§ 3280.16. Service to a child with special needs.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator shall make reasonable accommodation to include a child with special needs in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws.			
(b) The operator shall permit an adult individual who provides specialized services to a child with special needs to provide those services on the facility premises as specified in the child's IEP, IFSP or written behavioral plan.			
(c) The operator shall make staff persons and parents aware of community resources for the family of a child who may have special needs. The Department will provide to the operator information regarding community resources.			
§ 3280.17. Liability insurance.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The legal entity shall have comprehensive general liability insurance to cover all persons who are on the premises. A current copy of the insurance policy shall be on file at the facility.			
§ 3280.18. Child abuse reporting.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) An operator or a staff person who has reason to believe that a child enrolled in the facility has been abused is required to report suspected child abuse to ChildLine as mandated by the CPSL.			
(b) A staff person may be designated by the operator as the person responsible to notify ChildLine of suspected child abuse. The operator or designated staff person with this responsibility shall immediately notify ChildLine at 1 (800) 932-0313.			
(c) Within 48 hours, a written report regarding the suspected child abuse shall be submitted by the operator or designated staff person to the CPS unit which has responsibility for investigating the report.			



§ 3280.19. Reporting injury, death or fire.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator shall immediately notify a child's parent and shall notify			
the appropriate regional office of the Department within 24 hours if one or			
more of the following occurs:			
(1) Inpatient hospitalization or emergency room treatment of a child			
receiving care at the facility.			
(2) A death of a child receiving care at the facility.			
(3) A facility fire that requires the service of a fire department.			
(b) The operator shall mail or deliver a written report to the appropriate			
regional office of the Department within 72 hours after the occurrence of			
an event described in subsection (a).			
(c) The report shall include the following information:			
(1) The name, address and telephone number of the facility.			
(2) The name, address and birth date of the child.			
(3) The name and address of the child's parent or guardian.			
(4) A description of the incident, including the date, time and location of			
the incident and the equipment involved.			
(5) The name and telephone number of local authorities notified.			
(6) The nature of the treatment.			
(7) The name and address of the place where treatment was received.			
(8) The required follow-up.			
(d) The staff person who prepared the report shall sign and date it.			
(e) Copies of reports shall be kept in a file at the facility.			
§ 3280.19a. Reporting injury, death or fire—statement of policy.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The facility operator shall make reports to a child's parent and to the			
Department in accordance with § 3280.19 (relating to reporting injury,			
death or fire) if one or more of the following occurs:			
(1) A child receiving care in the facility is lost or missing from the facility.			
(2) A child in the care of the facility is left behind on a facility excursion.			
(3) A child receiving care in the facility is left unattended in the facility			
when the facility is closed.			
§ 3280.20. General health and safety.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Conditions at the facility may not pose a threat to the health or safety of			
the children.			



§ 3280.21. Communication with parents.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The operator shall establish either oral or written communication in the language or mode of communication which is understandable to the parent.			
§ 3280.22. Parent access and participation.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A parent of a child in care shall be permitted free access, without prior notice, throughout the child care spaces whenever children are in care, unless a court of competent jurisdiction has limited the parent right of access to the child and a copy of the order is on file at the facility. Opportunity shall be provided for parents to participate in the facility's program. The operator shall maintain a yearly file which documents general announcements to promote parent participation. The file shall be updated annually.			
§ 3280.23. Departmental access.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A staff person shall provide to agents of the Department immediate access to the facility and, upon request, to the children and the files and records.			
(b) An inspection will be conducted during normal business hours except when there is reasonable cause to believe that inspections at other times are necessary to detect violations of applicable statutes and regulations.			
(c) An agent of the Department will inspect compliance with this chapter in all areas of the facility premises that are accessible to children.			
§ 3280.24. Availability of certificate of compliance and applicable regulations.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The facility's current certificate of compliance and a copy of the applicable regulations under which the facility is certified shall be posted in a conspicuous location used by parents, with instructions for contacting the appropriate regional day care office posted at the same location.			
(b) The operator shall post a copy of each inspection summary issued by the Department in a conspicuous location used by parents. The inspection summary must remain posted until an agent of the Department verifies that each regulatory noncompliance item cited on the inspection summary has been corrected.			



§ 3280.25. Compliance with nondiscrimination statutes.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A certificate of compliance will not be granted by the Department to a			
legal entity unless compliance with civil rights laws and applicable			
regulations has been met. The applicable laws as identified on the			
certificate of compliance application are:			
(1) The Pennsylvania Human Relations Act (43 P. S. § 951—962.2).			
(2) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C.A. § 6101—6107).			
(3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C.A. § 2000d—			
2000d-4a).			
(4) Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C.A. § 2000e—			
2000e-5).			
(5) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C.A. § 794).			
(6) The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.A. § 12101—			
12514).			
(b) The appropriate forms to establish compliance shall be included with			
the application for certification.			
§ 3280.26. Emergency plan.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The facility shall have an emergency plan that provides for:			
(1) Shelter of children during an emergency including shelter in place			
at the facility and shelter at locations away from the facility premises.			
(2) Evacuation of children from the facility building and evacuation of			
children to a location away from the facility premises. The evacuation			
routes and evacuation plans to exit the building may be the same as			
those required by § 3280.94(f) and (g) (relating to fire drills).			
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of each plan update. The date of each training and the name of each	
facility person who received the training shall be documented in writing	
and kept on file at the facility.	
(d) The emergency plan shall be posted in the facility at a conspicuous	
location.	
(e) The operator shall provide to the parent of each enrolled child a letter	
explaining the emergency procedures described in subsection (a). The	
operator shall also provide to the parent of each enrolled child a letter	
explaining any subsequent update to the plan.	
(f) The operator shall send a copy of the emergency plan and	
subsequent plan updates to the county emergency management agency.	

FACILITY PERSONS			
§ 3280.31. Age and training.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A volunteer shall be 16 years of age or older and shall be directly supervised at all times.			
(b) A staff person shall be 18 years of age or older.			
(c) An individual 16 years of age or older who is enrolled in an approved training curriculum may be used as a staff person, if the following guidelines are met:			
(1) The curriculum is conducted by an institution approved by the Department of Education and accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Council on Postsecondary Education and acceptable to the Department of Education.			
(2) The curriculum includes acceptable training topics referenced in subsection (e)(2).			
(3) The curriculum includes a minimum total of 600 clock hours, distributed as follows:			
(i) A minimum of 400 clock hours of classroom training.			
(ii) A minimum of 200 clock hours of supervised training in a child day care facility.			
(4) A representative of the training institution certifies in writing that the individual has completed the required classroom training and is currently enrolled in the curriculum.			
(5) The written certification required in paragraph (4) shall be retained			



in the staff file at the facility.	
(d) Child care professional credentials are equivalent to the following	
staff qualifications:	
(1) A Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or a Certified	
Childcare Professional (CCP) credential is equivalent to 9 credit hours	
from an accredited college or university in early childhood education or	
child development and 1 year experience with children.	
(2) A Pennsylvania school-age professional credential is equivalent to	
9 credit hours from an accredited college or university in elementary	
education or child development and 1 year experience with children.	
(e) A staff person shall obtain an annual minimum of 6 clock hours of	
child care training.	
(1) Acceptable training is conducted in one or more of the following	
settings:	
(i) By a secondary or postsecondary institution approved by the	
Department of Education and accredited by an accrediting agency	
recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Council	
on Post-secondary Accreditation and acceptable to the Department of	
Education.	
(ii) By an entity that is licensed or certified professionally competent	
in the training topic.	
(iii) In conferences or workshops.	
(iv) With audio-visual materials recognized by child care	
professionals.	
(2) Acceptable training topics include the following:	
(i) Child or staff health.	
(ii) Child development, early childhood education and special	
education.	
(iii) Supervision, discipline and guidance of children.	
(iv) Nutrition for children.	
(v) Child care program development.	
(vi) Child care staff person or volunteer professional development.	
(3) Other training topics may be submitted for the Department's review	
and approval.	
(4) Depending on the provisions of the appropriate regulation, training	
may be required for certain staff persons. The following constitutes	
competence in training areas:	
(i) First-aid training. Competence is completion of training by a	



professional in the field of first-aid. First-aid training shall be renewed on			
or before the expiration of certification of every 3 years, as applicable.			
(ii) Lifeguard training. Competence is completion of lifeguard training,			
including first-aid training and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for			
child and infant.			
(iii) Water safety instruction. Competence is completion of basic			
instruction in water safety from a certified lifeguard.			
(f) Completion of training shall be documented by the signature and title			
of a representative of the training entity and include the date training was			
completed. Documentation shall be retained in the facility person's file.			
§ 3280.32. Suitability of persons in the facility.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator shall comply with the CPSL and Chapter 3490 (relating			
to protective services).			
(b) Questions relating to the requirements of the CPSL shall be directed			
to the appropriate regional child day care office.			
(c) The operator may not allow an individual to enter the facility if the			
operator knows that the individual has been convicted or is awaiting trial			
on charges involving a crime of child abuse, child neglect, physical			
violence or moral corruptness.			
§ 3280.33. General requirements for facility persons.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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(a) A staff person or a substitute staff person shall meet one of the			
applicable staff qualifications for the position in which the person is			
performing.			
(b) A volunteer shall be supervised by a staff person.			
(c) One or more facility persons competent in first-aid techniques shall be			
at the facility when one or more children are in care.			
§ 3280.34. Primary staff person qualifications and responsibilities.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A primary staff person is responsible for the supervision of children			
receiving care in the facility.			
(b) A primary staff person shall have attained one of the following			
qualification levels:			
(1) A high school diploma or a general educational development			
certificate and 30 credit hours from an accredited college or university in			
early childhood education, child development, special education,			
elementary education or the human services field.			



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STAFF:CHILD RATIO			
§ 3280.51. Maximum number of children.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
No more than 12 children unrelated to the operator may simultaneously receive care except in a facility serving older school-age children. In a facility serving only older school-age children, a certificate of compliance may be issued for up to 15 children unrelated to the operator.			

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§ 3280.52. Ratio	requir	ements.			Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The minimur	(a) The minimum number of facility persons is as follows:						
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children on an ex							
(b) When childrengroup sizes and				levels, the following child			
	Staff	Children	Maximum Group Size	Total Number of Staff Required for the Maximum Group Size			
Infant	1	4	12	3			
Young toddler	1	5	12	3			
Older toddler	1	6	12	2			
Preschool	1	10	12	2			
Young school-age	1	12	12	1			
Older school- age	1	15	15	1			
youngest child in group size in acc	the gro	oup deter	mines the sta requirement	evels, the age of the aff:child ratio and maximum is in subsection (b).			
§ 3280.53. Child		·			Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
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the staff/child rat	tio requi	rements i	n § 3280.52	(relating to ratio			
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	children of a staff person shall be counted for the purpose of satisfying the allocated space capacity requirements set forth in § § 3280.61 and						
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PHYSICAL SITE			
§ 3280.61. Measurement and use of indoor child care space.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A facility shall provide indoor child care space for individual and group			
small muscle activity.			
(b) Indoor child care space may not be used simultaneously as play space.			
(c) Indoor child care space is measured within permanent, stationary			
partitions or walls. The allowable number of children in a space is			
determined by dividing the total square feet in a space by 40.			
(d) Measured indoor space includes space occupied by cupboards,			
shelves, furniture and equipment.			
(e) Measured indoor space does not include space occupied by halls,			
bathrooms, offices, kitchens and locker rooms.			
(f) Indoor space in which children are receiving care may not be used			
simultaneously for other business, commercial, social or another purpose			
unrelated to the child care being offered.			
(g) Preschool and school-age children may not be involved in small or			
large muscle activity in the same group space in which children are			
sleeping or resting.			
(h) The capacity established for an indoor space may not be exceeded			
except in the following situations:			
(1) At naptime, when toddler or preschool children are resting on rest			
equipment described in § 3280.105 (relating to rest equipment) if the			
following conditions are met:			
(i) The capacity is determined by the requirement for placement of			
rest equipment described in § 3280.105(f).			
(ii) The capacity may be exceeded for no longer than 2 1/2			
consecutive hours and no more than twice in a program day.			
(2) When older toddler, preschool or school-age children are			
participating in a program activity if the following conditions are met:			
(i) The capacity of the indoor child care space may be exceeded for			
no more than two separate 1/2 hour time periods daily.			
(ii) Each time period shall be designated on the facility's schedule of			
daily activities.			
(iii) The space may not be occupied by children of the infant or young			
toddler age levels during a time period when the capacity is exceeded.			
(iv) The number of children present in the space may not be more			



than twice the measured capacity of the space.			
(3) When a meal is served in a space designated and measured as			
indoor child care space if the following conditions are met:			
(i) The capacity of a space may be exceeded when children are			
eating for no more than 1 hour daily.			
(ii) The meal time shall be designated on the facility's schedule of			
daily activities.			
(iii) The number of children present in the space may not be more			
than twice the measured capacity of the space.			
§ 3280.62. Measurement and use of play space.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A facility shall provide outdoor or indoor play space to be used for			
large muscle activity which includes running, jumping, climbing and riding.			
(b) Outdoor or indoor play space shall be measured at 65 square feet per			
child, except in the following situations:			
(1) The minimum outdoor or indoor play space required per infant is 40			
square feet.			
(2) The minimum outdoor or indoor play space required per young or			
older toddler is 50 square feet.			
(c) Outdoor or indoor play space shall be safe for large muscle activity.			
(d) Outdoor or indoor play space in which children are receiving care			
may not be used simultaneously for other business, commercial, social or			
another purpose unrelated to the child care being offered.			
§ 3280.63. Unsafe areas in outdoor space.			Date for
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If unsafe areas or conditions are in or near an outdoor play space,			
fencing or natural barriers are required to restrict children from those			
unsafe areas or conditions.			
§ 3280.64. Outside walkways.	/		Date for
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Outside walkways shall be free from ice, snow, leaves, equipment and			
other hazards.			
§ 3280.65. Protective electrical covers.	Na.4	Diam of Antion	Date for
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Protective receptacle covers shall be placed in electrical outlets			
accessible to children 5 years of age or younger.	l l		



§ 3280.66. Toxics.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Cleaning materials and other toxic materials shall be stored in an original labeled container or in a container that specifies the content.			
Toxics shall be kept in a locked area or in an area inaccessible to children, and shall be stored away from food, food preparation areas and child care spaces.			
(b) Cleaning materials and other toxic materials shall be used in a way that does not contaminate play surfaces, food and food preparation areas and does not constitute a hazard to the children.			
(c) Toxic plants are not permitted in a child care space.			
(d) Arts and crafts materials shall be nontoxic. § 3280.67. Sanitation.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Trash shall be removed from the facility at least once per day.			
(b) Trash shall be removed from the facility grounds at least once per week.			
(c) Evidence of infestation of insects or rodents in the facility is not permitted.			
(d) Trash that has been contaminated by human secretion or excrement shall be kept in closed plastic-lined receptacles.			
§ 3280.68. Smoking.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Cigarettes, pipes or cigars may not be smoked in a child care space, a play space or a food preparation area when children are in care or when food is being prepared.			
(b) Ashes and cigarette or cigar butts are prohibited in a child care space, a play space or a food preparation area.			
§ 3280.69. Water.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Hot water temperature, in areas accessible to children, may not exceed 110° F.			
(b) A safe and adequate supply of drinking water shall be made available to children of all ages throughout the day.			
(c) Drinking water shall be provided to children who are out-of-doors for a period exceeding 1 hour.			



§ 3280.70. Indoor temperature.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The indoor temperature must be at least 65° F.			
(b) If the indoor temperature exceeds 82° F in a child care space, a			
means of mechanical air circulation must be operating.			
§ 3280.71. Hot water pipes and other sources of heat.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Hot water pipes and other sources of heat exceeding 110° F that are			
accessible to children shall be equipped with protective guards or shall be			
insulated to prevent direct contact.			
§ 3280.72. Ventilation.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Natural or mechanical ventilation shall be provided in child care			
spaces.			
(b) Windows or doors used for ventilation shall be screened when open.			
(c) Screens shall be in good repair.			
(d) Windows or door above the ground floor that open directly to the			
outdoors and are accessible to children shall be constructed, modified or			
adapted to limit the opening to 6 or fewer inches.			Data ta
§ 3280.73. Telephone.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A facility shall have an operable telephone. A facility that has an			
unpublished telephone number shall make the number available to the			
parent, the release persons of the children in care, an agency that			
oversees or funds the facility and the appropriate regional office of the			
Department.			
§ 3280.74. Emergency telephone numbers.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Telephone numbers of the nearest hospital, police department, fire			
department, ambulance and poison control center shall be posted by			
each telephone in the facility.			
§ 3280.75. First-aid kit.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A first-aid kit shall be kept in a facility.			
(b) A first-aid kit must be inaccessible to children.			
(c) A first-aid kit must contain the following: soap, an assortment of			
adhesive bandages, sterile gauze pads, tweezers, tape, scissors and			
disposable, nonporous gloves.			



(d) One first-aid kit per child care group must accompany children and			
facility persons on excursions from the facility. Each first aid kit taken on			
an excursion must contain a bottle of water in addition to the items			
specified in subsection (c).			
§ 3280.76. Building surface requirements.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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Floors, walls, ceilings and other surfaces, including the facility's outdoor			
play space surfaces, shall be kept clean, in good repair and free from			
visible hazards.			D 1 6
§ 3280.77. Paint.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Peeled or damaged paint or damaged plaster is not permitted on			
indoor or outdoor surfaces in the child care facility.			
(b) When indoor or outdoor surfaces are repaired or when new indoor or			
outdoor surfaces are painted, the paint may not contain more than .06%			
lead.			
(c) A child may not be present during removal of paint from the indoor or			
outdoor surfaces of a facility.			
(d) Removal, clean-up and disposal of leaded paint dust and debris shall			
be accomplished in a manner that avoids dispersal of dust and debris into			
the environment.			
(e) Abrasive removal methods which include dry sanding, electrical			
sanding and sandblasting, or open flame burning, or a removal process			
that permits the release of leaded particulate material into the			
environment are prohibited.			
(f) Dust and debris generated by removal shall be disposed of in			
accordance with applicable Federal, State & local regulations.			
(g) Child care may resume when the removal process is completed and			
when accompanying debris is removed.			
§ 3280.78. Lighting.		DI 64 ()	Date for
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Rooms, hallways, stairways, outside steps, porches and ramps shall be			
lighted by artificial or natural light.			
§ 3280.79. Firearms.	Mat	Plan of Action	Date for
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(a) If the facility is located in a building or a space which is not a			
residence, weapons, firearms and ammunition are prohibited.			
(b) If the facility is located in a residence, weapons and firearms shall be			



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FIRESAFETY			
§ 3280.91. Exits.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Stairways, hallways, exits from rooms, exits from the facility and other means of egress serving as an exit shall be unobstructed.			
(b) Protective gates are permitted, if they open easily and are not disapproved by building codes or local ordinances.			
(c) If a door or doorway opens or exits directly into a stairwell and if there is no landing beyond the door or doorway, the door shall be restricted from opening or shall be removed and a secure barrier to prevent access to the stairwell shall be erected.			
§ 3280.92. Space heaters.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Portable space heaters, if allowed by local ordinance, may be used while children are in care, if the units are used in accordance with the manufacturer's operating instructions.			
(b) Fixed and portable space heaters shall be insulated or equipped with			



protective guards.			
(c) The manufacturer's instructions for use shall be kept in an accessible			
area in the facility.			
(d) A fixed space heater shall be approved for use by a local fire safety			
professional. Written approval of the installation and written approval for			
use shall be on file at the facility.			
§ 3280.93. Fireplaces and wood-burning and coal-burning stoves.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Fireplaces, fireplace inserts or wood-burning and coal-burning stoves, if			
allowed by local ordinance, shall be securely screened or equipped with			
protective guards while in use.			
§ 3280.94. Fire drills.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
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(a) A fire drill shall be held at least every 60 days. Staff persons,			
volunteers and children in attendance shall participate in the fire drill and			
shall exit the facility, weather permitting.			
(b) A written record shall be kept of the date, the time of day, the			
hypothetical location of the fire, the evacuation time, the names of the			
facility persons and the number of children participating in the fire drill.			
(c) Fire drills shall be held at different times of the day or night, or both, if			
applicable.			
(d) Fire drills shall be held during various program activity times.			
(e) Hypothetical locations of the fire shall be changed for each drill.			
(f) Evacuation routes shall be posted.			
(g) Evacuation plans shall provide for removal of all persons from the			
facility in a single trip.			

EQUIPMENT					
§ 3280.101. Type of play equipment.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction		
(a) Play equipment and materials appropriate to the developmental needs, individual interests and ages of the children shall be provided in sufficient amount and variety to preclude long waits for use.					
(b) Play equipment and materials shall include items from each of the following six categories:					
(1) Materials for dramatic role playing.					
(2) Toys and materials for cognitive development.					



(3) Toys and materials for visual development.			
(4) Toys and materials for auditory development.			
(5) Toys to handle and manipulate and art materials for tactile			
development.			
(6) Toys and equipment for large muscle development.			
(c) Play equipment shall facilitate the child's emotional, cognitive,			
communicative, perceptual-motor, physical and social development.			
§ 3280.102. Condition of play equipment.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Toys, play equipment and other indoor and outdoor equipment used			
by the children must be clean, in good repair and free from rough edges,			
sharp corners, pinch and crush points, splinters and exposed bolts.			
(b) Toys soiled by secretion /excretion shall be cleaned with soap &			
water, rinsed and sanitized before being used by a child.			
(c) Outdoor equipment that requires embedded mounting must be			
mounted over a loose-fill or unitary playground protective surface			
covering that meets the recommendations of the United States Consumer			
Product Safety Commission. The equipment must be anchored firmly and			
be in good repair.			
(d) Slides that are over 4 feet high must have guards along both sides of			
the ladder.			
(e) Pea gravel and other materials with a diameter of less than 1 inch			
may not be used in spaces where infants or toddlers receive care.			
(f) Children's toys and equipment, including furniture and rest equipment,			
described as hazardous by the United States Consumer Product Safety			
Commission may not be used by children at the facility and may not be			
on the premises at the facility. At the time of inspection, the operator shall			
submit to the Department written affirmation on a form provided by the			
Department stating that the facility is in compliance with this requirement.			
§ 3280.102b. Playground protective surface covering—statement of policy.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) For a group child day care home that is not located in a residence,			
the requirement for playground protective surface covering in			
§ 3280.102(c) (relating to condition of play equipment) means that the			
protective surfacing material must be safe and shock absorbing for a fall			
from the highest designated play surface on a piece of equipment as			
specified in the United States Consumer Public Safety			
Commission's Public Playground Safety Handbook, Publication 325. This			
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publication is available on the Internet at			
http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/325.pdf or by calling the Consumer			
Public Safety Commission at (800) 638-2772.			
(b) For a group child care home that is located in a residence, the			
requirement for playground protective surface covering in § 3280.102(c)			
means that the protective surfacing material must be safe and shock			
absorbing for a fall from the highest designated play surface on a piece of			
equipment as specified in the United States Consumer Public Safety			
Commission's <i>Outdoor Home Playground Safety Handbook</i> , Publication			
324. This publication is available on the Internet at			
http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/324.pdf or by calling the Consumer			
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Toys and objects with a diameter of less than 1 inch, objects with removable parts that have a diameter of less than 1 inch, plastic bags			
and tyrofoam objects may not be accessible to children who are still			
placing objects in their mouths.			D 1 6
§ 3280.104. High chairs.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
			Correction
High chairs shall have a wide base and a T-shaped safety strap.			
§ 3280.105. Rest equipment.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
			Correction
(a) Individual, clean, age-appropriate rest equipment shall be provided			
for preschool, toddler and infant children as agreed between the child's			
parent and the operator. The rest equipment must be labeled for the use			
of a specific child and used only by the specified child.			
(b) Bed linens may not be used alone as age-appropriate rest			
equipment.			
(c) Stacked cribs may not be used.			
(d) Crib and playpen slats may be no more than 2 3/8 inches apart.			
(e) Seasonal, appropriate covering, such as sheets or blankets, shall be			
provided as agreed between the child's parent and the operator.			
(f) At least 2 feet of space is required on three sides of a bed, cot, crib or			
other rest equipment while the equipment is in use.			
(g) Linens, blankets and rest equipment shall be cleaned monthly, at a			
minimum. The operator shall arrange a cleaning schedule with the parent.			
(h) Soiled bedding shall be cleaned before it is reused.			
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(i) The upper level of double-deck beds may not be used for children 8			
years of age or younger.			
(j) Toys, bumper pads or pillows may not be present in a crib while an			
infant is sleeping in the crib.			
§ 3280.106. Refrigerator.			Date for
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The facility shall have an operable, clean refrigerator used to store			
potentially hazardous food. The refrigerator shall be capable of			
maintaining food at 45° or below. An operating thermometer shall be			
placed in the refrigerator.			
§ 3280.107. Utensils.	/		Date for
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(a) Eating and drinking utensils shall be free from cracks and chips.			
(b) Disposable cups, plates and eating utensils may be used if discarded			
after each use.			
(c) Styrofoam cups and plates may not be used.			
§ 3280.108. Furniture.			Date for
3	Met	Plan of Action	Correction
(a) Furniture must be durable, safe, easily cleaned and appropriate for			
the child's size, age and special needs.			
(b) Study space, tables, chairs, paper and pencils shall be provided for			
school-age children in care, if necessary for the program offered by the			
facility.			
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PROGRAM			
§ 3280.111. Daily activities.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A written plan of daily activities and routines, including a time for free play, shall be established. The plan shall be flexible to accommodate the needs of individual children and the dynamics of the group.			
(b) The written plan shall be posted in a traffic area used by parents.			
(c) Daily activities shall promote the development of skills, social competence, self-esteem and positive self-identity. Daily experiences shall recognize the child as an individual and give some choice of activities that respect personal privacy, lifestyle and cultural background.			



§ 3280.112. Infant and toddler stimulation.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Infants and toddlers shall be provided stimulation by being held, rocked,			
talked to, played with and carried.			
§ 3280.113. Supervision of children.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Children on the facility premises and on facility excursions off the premises shall be supervised by a staff person at all times. Outdoor play space used by the facility is considered part of the facility premises.			
(1) Each staff person shall be assigned the responsibility for supervision of specific children. The staff person shall know the names and whereabouts of the children in his assigned group. The staff person shall be physically present with the children in his group on the facility premises and on facility excursions off the facility premises.			
(2) The requirement for supervision on and off the facility premises includes compliance with the staff:child ratio requirements in § 3280.51—3280.53 (relating to staff:child ratio).			
(b) A facility person may not use any form of physical punishment including spanking a child.			
(c) A facility person may not single out the child for ridicule, threaten harm to the child or the child's family and may not specifically aim to degrade the child or the child's family.			
(d) A facility person may not use harsh, demeaning or abusive language in the presence of children.			
(e) A facility person may not restrain a child by using bonds, ties or straps to restrict a child's movement or by enclosing the child in a confined space, closet or locked room. The prohibition against restraining a child does not apply to the use of adaptive equipment prescribed for a child with special needs.			
§ 3280.114. Outdoor activity.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Weather permitting, children shall be taken out of doors daily.			
§ 3280.115. Water activity.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
<ul><li>(a) Swimming.</li><li>(1) A swimming pool must conform to 28 Pa. Code Chapter 18 (relating to public swimming and bathing places).</li></ul>			



(2) An in-ground swimmir with a locked gate.	ng pool	accessible to children must be fenced			
	nmina p	ool which is not in use must be made			
		ance with the swimming pool barrier			
		onsumer Product Safety Commission.			
	ool whi	ch is not in use must be made			
inaccessible to children.					
(5) The following staff:chi	ld ratios	apply while children are swimming:			
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Similar Age Level	Staff	Children			
Infant	1	1			
Young and older toddler	1	2			
Preschool	1	5			
Young school-age	1	6			
Older school-age	1	8			
		supervision shall include one person			
		s described in § 3280.31(e)(4)(iii)			
(relating to age and training					
staff-child ratio.	ı iiregua	ard training may not be included in the			
	e count	ed in the staff-child ratio shall annually			
complete water safety inst					
(b) Wading.	ti dottori.				
	pervise	day care children using wading pools.			
		apply when children are wading.			
		added to water in a wading pool. An			
	tion is 3	/4 teaspoon of bleach added to 50			
gallons of water.					
(3) A wading pool shall be					
		ay table or a container used for water			
play that contains unfiltere					Data face
§ 3280.116. School-age	cniiarei	1.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
When a facility serves a s	chool-a	ge child, homework supervision shall be			
	ith arrar	ngements determined by the parent and			
the operator.					



§ 3280.117. Release of children.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A child shall be released only to the child's parent or to an individual			
designated in writing by the enrolling parent. A child shall be released to			
either parent unless a court order on file at the facility states otherwise.			
(b) In an emergency, a child may be released to an individual upon the			
oral designation of the parent, if the identity of the individual can be verified by a staff person.			
(c) If a child is released upon the oral designation of the parent, the			
following information shall be logged in the child's record:			
(1) The name of the parent making the request.			
(2) The date and time of the request.			
(3) The name of the individual to whom the child is to be released.			
(4) The name of the staff person taking the call.			
(5) The name of the staff person releasing the child.			
§ 3280.118. Pets.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A pet or animal present at the facility, indoors or outdoors, shall be in good health and known to be friendly to children.			
(b) Contact with pets by the children is permitted only when a staff			
person is physically present.			
(c) A veterinarian's certificate of current rabies immunization is required			
for a cat or dog at the facility. The certificate shall be on file when the cat			
or dog is present.			
§ 3280.119. Infant sleep position.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Infants shall be placed in the sleeping position recommended by the			
American Academy of Pediatrics unless there is a medical reason an			
infant should not sleep in this position. The medical reason shall be			
documented in a statement signed by a physician, physician's assistant or CRNP and placed in the child's record at the facility.			

PROCEDURES FOR ADMISSION			
§ 3280.121. Application.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator shall review with the parent, at the time of application, the facility's general daily schedule, hours in which care is provided, fees,			



responsibilities for meals, clothing, health policies, supervision policies, night care policies, dismissal policies, transportation and pick-up			
arrangements.			
(b) At the time of enrollment, a parent shall receive in writing the information described in subsection (a).			
§ 3280.122. Admission interview.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A child shall be interviewed or observed by the operator and, when possible, shall have the opportunity to visit the facility prior to being admitted for care. The child shall be told as much as he can understand about the service being planned. If the parent indicates that the child has special needs, the operator shall discuss the condition with the parent, refer to § 3280.4 (relating to definitions), and comply with § § 3280.16, 3280.124 and 3280.131 (relating to service to a child with special needs; emergency contact information; and health information).			
§ 3280.123. Agreement.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) An agreement signed by the operator and the parent must specify			
the following:			
(1) The amount of fee to be charged per day or per week.			
(2) The date on which the fee is to be paid.			
(3) The services to be provided to the family and the child, including			
the Department's approved form to provide information to the family			
about the child's growth and development in the context of the services			
being provided. The operator shall complete and update the form and			
provide a copy to the family in accordance with the updates regarding			
emergency contact information in § 3280.124(f) (relating to emergency			
contact information).			
(4) The child's arrival and departure times.			
(5) The individuals designated by the parent to whom the child may be			
released as specified in § 3280.117 (relating to release of children).  (6) The date of the child's admission.			
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(b) A parent shall receive the original agreement. The facility shall retain			
a copy of the agreement.			Date for
§ 3280.124. Emergency contact information.	Met	Plan of Action	Correction



CHILD HEALTH			
§ 3280.131. Health information.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator shall require the parent of an enrolled child, including a child, a foster child and a relative of an operator or a facility person, to			
provide an initial health report no later than 60 days following the first day			



of attendance at the facility.	
(1) The initial health report for an infant must be dated no more than 3	
months prior to the first day of attendance at the facility.	
(2) The initial health report for a young toddler must be dated no more	
than 6 months prior to the first day of attendance at the facility.	
(3) The initial health report for an older toddler or preschool child must	
be dated no more than 1 year prior to the first day of attendance at the	
facility.	
(4) The initial health report for a school-age child must be dated in	
accordance with the requirements for medical examinations for school	
attendance in 28 Pa. Code § 23.2 (relating to medical examinations).	
(b) The operator shall require the parent to provide an updated health	
report in accordance with the following schedules:	
(1) At least every 6 months for an infant or young toddler.	
(2) At least every 12 months for an older toddler or preschool child.	
(c) A health report must be written and signed by a physician,	
physician's assistant or a CRNP. The signature must include the	
individual's professional title.	
(d) The health report must include the following information:	
(1) A review of the child's health history.	
(2) A list of the child's allergies.	
(3) A list of the child's current medication and the reason for the	
medication.	
(4) An assessment of an acute or chronic health problem or special	
needs and recommendations for treatment or services, including	
information regarding abnormal results of screening tests for vision,	
hearing or lead poisoning.	
(5) A review of the child's immunized status according to	
recommendations of the ACIP.	
(6) A statement of the child's medical information pertinent to diagnosis	
and treatment in case of emergency.	
(7) A statement that the child is able to participate in child care and	
appears to be free from contagious or communicable disease.	
(8) A statement that age-appropriate screenings recommended by the	
American Academy of Pediatrics were conducted since the time of the	
previous health report required by this section.	
(e) The facility may not accept or retain an infant 2 months of age or	
older, a toddler or a preschool child at the facility for more than 60 days	



following the first day of attendance at the facility unless the parent			
provides written verification from a physician, physician's assistant,			
CRNP, the Department of Health or a local health department of the			
dates (month, day and year) the child was administered immunizations in			
accordance with the recommendations of the ACIP.			
(1) The facility shall require the parent to provide updated written			
verification from a physician, physician's assistant, CRNP, the			
Department of Health or a local health department of ongoing vaccines			
administered to an infant, toddler or preschool child in accordance with			
the schedule recommended by the ACIP.			
(2) Exemption from immunization must be documented as follows:			
(i) Exemption from immunization for religious belief or strong			
personal objection equated to a religious belief must be documented by a			
written, signed and dated statement from the child's parent or guardian.			
The statement shall be kept in the child's record.			
(ii) Exemption from immunization for reasons of medical need must			
be documented by a written, signed and dated statement from the child's			
physician, physician's assistant or CRNP. The statement shall be kept in			
the child's record.			
(3) The facility shall implement dismissal policies in accordance with			
the Department of Health regulation in 28 Pa. Code § 27.77 (relating to			
immunization requirements for children in child care group settings).			
(4) The facility shall comply with the annual immunization reporting			
requirements in accordance with the Department of Health regulation in			
28 Pa. Code § 27.77.			
§ 3280.132. Emergency medical care.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
			Correction
(a) If emergency medical care is needed for a child, the parent shall be			
contacted as soon as practical in the best interest of the child. If the			
parent cannot be reached, the operator shall record in writing the reason			
emergency care was required and the attempts made to inform the			
parent.			
(b) A staff person shall accompany a child to a source of emergency			
care and shall remain with the child until the parent assumes			
responsibility for the child's care.			
(c) An operator shall document the manner in which emergency			
treatment was sought and obtained. File documentation shall include			
information referenced at § 3280.19(c) (relating to reporting injury, death			



or fire).			
§ 3280.133. Child medication and special diets.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The operator shall make reasonable accommodation in accordance with			
applicable Federal and State laws to facilitate administration of			
medication or a special diet as prescribed by a physician, physician's			
assistant or CRNP as a treatment related to the child's special needs.			
Facility persons are not required to administer medication or special diets which are requested or required by a parent, a physician, a physician's			
assistant or a CRNP but are not treatment related to the child's special			
needs. When medication or special diets are administered, the following			
requirements apply:			
(1) A prescription or nonprescription medication may be accepted only			
in an original container. The medication must remain in the container in			
which it was received.			
(2) A staff person shall administer a prescription medication only if			
written instructions are provided from the individual who prescribed the			
medication. Instructions for administration contained on a prescription			
label are acceptable.			
(3) The label of a medication container must identify the name of the			
medication and the name of the child for whom the medication is			
intended. Medication shall be administered to only the child whose name			
appears on the container.			
(4) Medication shall be stored in a locked area of the facility or in an			
area that is out of the reach of children.			<u> </u>
(5) Medication shall be stored in accordance with the manufacturer's or			
health professional's instructions on the original label.			
(6) A parent shall provide written consent for administration.			
(7) An operator is responsible to establish and maintain a medication			
log if prescription or nonprescription medication is administered. A log			
must include the following minimum information:  (i) The name of the medication.			
(ii) The name of the child receiving the medication.			
(ii) A requirement for refrigeration.			
(iv) The amount of medication administered.			
(v) The date of administration.			
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(viii) Special notes related to problems of administration.			
(8) If a special diet is prescribed for a child and if the diet is			
administered to the child, written instructions and the parent's written			
consent shall be retained in the child's file.			
§ 3280.134. Child hygiene.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A staff person shall ensure that a child's hands are washed before meals and snacks, after toileting and after being diapered.			
(b) Cloth towels and washcloths shall be labeled with the child's name, used by only the named child and laundered weekly. The primary staff person shall arrange a laundry schedule with the parent.			
(c) Paper towels may be used as towels and washcloths. Paper towels shall be discarded after each use.			
(d) A child shall have a labeled toothbrush if brushing teeth is a program activity.			
(e) Toothbrushes shall be stored with the bristles up and exposed to circulating air.			
(f) Paper cups, discarded after one use, or water fountains shall be used for between-meal drinking by children who are not bottle-fed.			
§ 3280.135. Diapering requirements.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) When children are diapered, the facility shall use disposable diapers, a diaper service or arrange with the parent to provide a daily diaper supply.			
(1) If non-disposable diapers are provided by a parent, a soiled diaper shall be placed in an individual, securely-tied plastic bag and returned to the parent at the end of the day.			
(2) If non-disposable diapers from a diaper service are provided by a facility, a soiled diaper shall be placed in the container provided by the service or in a securely-tied plastic bag.			
(3) If disposable diapers are provided by a facility or a parent, a soiled diaper shall be discarded by immediately placing the diaper into a plastic-lined, hands-free covered can.			
(4) A soiled diaper that is not in a tied bag may not be placed in an			
unlined outdoor trash container.			



(c) The diapering area may not be used for food preparation or food			
service.			
(d) Cloth and paper materials used as diapering aids shall be stored in a			
manner that prevents cross-contamination from a soiled diaper,			
contaminated hands or other changing materials.			
(e) A staff person shall check a child's diaper at least every 2 hours and			
whenever the child indicates discomfort or exhibits behavior that suggests			
a soiled diaper. A staff person shall change a child's diaper when the			
diaper is soiled.			
§ 3280.136. Reporting diseases.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) If an operator allows admission of an ill child, the operator shall			
receive instructions from the parent for care of the child to assure that the			
child's needs for rest, attention & administration of medication are met.			
(b) The operator shall inform parents of enrolled children when there is a			
suspected outbreak of a communicable disease or an outbreak of an			
unusual illness that represents a public health emergency in the opinion			
of the Department of Health.			
(c) If a child becomes ill at the facility, the operator shall notify the child's			
parent as soon as possible.			
(d) A facility person who knows of a communicable disease for which 28			
Pa. Code Chapter 27 (relating to communicable and non-communicable			
diseases) requires reporting, or who knows of a group expression of an			
illness which may be of public concern, whether or not it is known to be of			
a communicable nature, shall report it promptly to the appropriate division			
of the Department of Health as specified in 28 Pa. Code Chapter 27, or to			
a local department of health.			
§ 3280.137. Children with symptoms of disease.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
An operator who observes an enrolled child with symptoms of a			
communicable disease or infection that can be transmitted directly or			
indirectly and which may threaten the health of children in care shall			
exclude the child from attendance until the operator receives notification			
from a physician or CRNP that the child is no longer considered a threat			
to the health of others. The notification shall be retained in the child's file.			
Diseases and conditions which require exclusion are specified in 28 Pa.			
Code Chapter 27 (relating to communicable and non-communicable			
diseases). The Department of Health will provide, upon request, a list of			



communicable diseases. § 3280.138. Discrimination based on illness.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Before, during & after the admission process, an operator may not discriminate against serving a child who has an illness which is not transmitted by casual contact.			

ADULT HEALTH			
§ 3280.151. Health assessment.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A facility person providing direct care who comes into contact with the children or who works with food preparation shall have a health assessment conducted within 12 months prior to providing initial service in a child care setting and every 24 months thereafter. A health assessment is valid for 24 months following the date of signature, if the person does not contract a communicable disease or develop a medical problem.			
(b) A health assessment shall be conducted and a report shall be written and signed by a physician, physician's assistant or CRNP. The signature must include the individual's professional title.			
(c) The health assessment must include the following:			
(1) A physical examination.			
(2) Tuberculosis screening by the Mantoux method at initial employment. Subsequent tuberculosis screening is not required unless directed by a physician, physician's assistant, CRNP, Department of Health or local health department.			
(i) If a person's medical record demonstrates a positive tuberculin skin test, that record shall be placed on file at the facility.			
(ii) A record of a person with a positive tuberculin skin test must include the results of a chest x-ray and evaluation for chemoprophylaxis.			
(iii) A person with a positive tuberculin skin test and a negative x-ray is not required to have further tuberculosis testing, unless one of the following occurs:			
(A) The person is exposed to an active case of tuberculosis.			
(B) The person develops a productive cough which does not respond to medical treatment within 14 days.			
(3) Examination for communicable diseases and the results of that			



examination.			
(4) Information on medical problems which might threaten the health of			
the children or prohibit a staff person from providing adequate care to			
children.			
(5) The physician's or CRNP's assessment of the person's suitability to			
provide child care.			
(d) An adult individual who is employed by a facility and who provides			
children with social, medical, psychological or psychiatric services in			
addition to this chapter is required to have a current health assessment			
on file at the facility. An adult individual or an employee of an agency who			
provides those services by contract with the child's parent or the facility is			
not required to have a current health assessment on file at the facility.			
§ 3280.151a. Tuberculosis testing—statement of policy.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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The Department will accept an interferongamma release assay blood test			
instead of the Mantoux skin test for an adult health assessment.			
§ 3280.152. Adult hygiene.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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A facility person shall wash his hands before meals and snacks, after			
toileting and after diapering a child.			
§ 3280.153. Facility persons with symptoms of disease.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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A facility person with symptoms of a communicable disease or infection			
that can be transmitted directly or indirectly and which may threaten the			
health of children in care shall be excluded from attendance until the			
operator receives notification from a physician or CRNP that the person is			
no longer considered a threat to the health of others. The notification shall			
be retained in the facility person's file. Exclusion from the facility is			
required for diseases and conditions specified in 28 Pa. Code Chapter 27			
(relating to communicable and non-communicable diseases). The			
Department of Health will provide, upon request, a list of communicable			
diseases.			
§ 3280.154. Facility persons with skin disorders.	NA - 1	Discost Author	Date for
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(a) A facility person with a discharging or infected wound, sore, lesion on			
the hands, arms or an exposed portion of the body shall be excluded from			
child care and food preparation activities until the operator receives			
written notification from a physician or CRNP that the person may return			



to child care or food preparation. The notification shall be retained in the person's file.			
(b) A facility person with a herpes infection may not be present with infants younger than 3 months of age.			
§ 3280.155. Discrimination based on illness.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A facility person or an individual seeking employment or placement who has an illness that is not transmitted by casual contact shall be permitted the right to continued employment, placement, employment opportunity or placement opportunity to the extent of the person's ability to perform the stated job function.			

§ 3280.161. Food.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Food stored, prepared or served shall be clean, wholesome, free from spoilage, free from adulteration and safe for human consumption.			
(b) Food that has been previously served to a person or returned from a table shall be discarded.			
(c) Potentially hazardous food brought from the child's home or provided by the facility shall be refrigerated.			
(d) Fresh fruits and vegetables that are not used on the day of purchase shall be refrigerated.			
(e) The only canned foods permitted for children's consumption are those commercially preserved in airtight jars or cans.			
(f) A facility shall provide a sufficient number of refrigerators to contain foods which require refrigeration.			
§ 3280.162. Meals.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) If a child receives care for 4 or more consecutive hours, nutritional, appropriately-timed meals and snacks shall be served.			
(b) Meals and snacks may be provided by the parent, upon agreement between the parent and the operator.			
(c) Food may not be withheld from children for purposes of discipline.			
(d) Children may not be forced to eat food.			
§ 3280.163. Food groups.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for



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(a) A lunch or dinner prepared at the facility for children of toddler age or			
older shall have at least one item from each of the following food groups:			
(1) Dairy products—milk, milk products and cheese.			
(2) Protein group—meat, fish, poultry, eggs, cheese, peanut butter,			
dried beans, peas and nuts.			
(3) Fruits and vegetables—including a wide variety of green, white,			
yellow, red vegetables and fruits.			
(4) Grain group—whole grain and enriched products, such as breads,			
cereals, pastas, crackers and rice.			
(b) Breakfast prepared at the facility for children of toddler age or older			
shall have at least one item from three of the four food groups listed in			
subsection (a).			
§ 3280.164. Food servings.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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Food servings shall be portioned suitably for the size and age of the			
children in care. Additional food in reasonable amounts shall be made			
available to children upon request of the parent or child.			
§ 3280.165. Menus.	Mat	Plan of Action	Date for
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The operator shall discuss the general menu plan with the parent so that			
the daily nutritional needs of the child can be met.			
§ 3280.166. Meals for infants.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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Meals for infants shall be provided in accordance with the following			
requirements:			
(1) A written statement giving formula and feeding schedule shall be			
obtained from the parent.			
(2) New foods shall be introduced only after consultation with the			
child's parent.			
(3) Disposable nursers shall be used unless bottles are provided by the			
parent or unless a commercial dishwasher is used by the facility.			
(4) Disposable nursers and bottles shall be labeled with the child's			
name.			
(5) An infant 6 months of age or younger shall be held while being			
bottle fed.			
(6) Neither an infant nor a toddler is permitted to sleep with a bottle in			
his mouth.			
(7) Bottled formula may not be heated in a microwave oven.			
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§ 3280.171. Pick-up and drop-off points.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator shall notify local traffic safety authorities in writing of			
the location of the facility and about the program's use of pedestrian and			
vehicular routes around the group child day care facility.			
(b) Safe pedestrian crossways, pick-up and drop-off points and bike			
routes shall be appropriately determined in the vicinity of the facility and			
communicated to the children and parent in writing.			
(c) Written notification of safe routes shall be posted in the facility in a			
conspicuous location.			
(d) Children shall be picked up and discharged only at locations			
specified by the operator as safe locations.			
§ 3280.172. Consent.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Transportation by the facility requires written parental consent,			
except for transportation of school-age children who are transported to or			
from a child care facility in vehicles owned or operated by the school			
district. See § 3280.221(b)(13)(1) (relating to requirements specific to			
school-age programs).			
(b) If a child has a problem or special need such as seizures or motion			
sickness that may require special care during transportation, written			
parental instruction regarding treatment of the problem or special need			
shall accompany the child being transported.			
(c) Written information required in subsections (a) and (b) shall be given			
to the operator of a vehicle transporting the child.			
§ 3280.173. Transportation ratio.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The staff-child ratios specified in § 3280.52 (relating to ratio			
requirements) shall apply when infant, young or older toddler and			
preschool children are transported. The max group size requirements at			
§ 3280.52 do not apply during transportation.			
(b) The driver may not be considered part of the staff-child ratio when			
nfant, young or older toddler or preschool children are transported.			
(c) When school-age children are transported, the driver may be			
considered part of the staff-child ratio required in § 3280.52.			
§ 3280.174. Age of driver.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for



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The operator of the vehicle shall be 18 years of age or older and shall			
have a valid operator's license.			
(a) A child 7 years of age or younger shall be transported in accordance			
with the requirements for parents and guardians as set forth in 75 Pa.C.S.			
§ 4581 (relating to restraint systems).			
(b) Safety restraints installed in the vehicle at the time of manufacturing			
shall be used by occupants.			
(c) Manufacturer's instructions for use of safety restraints shall be kept			
in the vehicle at all times.			
(d) School buses with a seating capacity of 16 or more children used in			
transporting preschool or school-age children are exempt from			
subsections (a)—(c).			
§ 3280.176. Vehicles.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A vehicle shall be insured under 75 Pa.C.S. § § 1701—1799.7			
(relating to the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Law).			
(b) The doors on a vehicle shall be locked whenever the vehicle is in			
motion.			
(c) No more than three persons may occupy the front seat of an			
automobile.			
(d) The back of a pickup truck may not be used to transport children.			
(e) The cargo area of a station wagon may not be used to transport children.			
(f) In accordance with 67 Pa. Code Chapter 171 (relating to school			
buses and school vehicles), the facility may not transport a child in an 11-			
15 passenger van.			
§ 3280.177. Supervision.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Children may not be left unattended in a vehicle.			
(b) Children shall be supervised during boarding and exiting vehicles by			
an adult who remains outside the vehicle.			
§ 3280.178. Transportation first-aid kit.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A first-aid kit, including the contents specified in § 3280.75 (relating to			
first-aid kit) shall be in the vehicle when children are being transported.			
The kit may be the same kit described in § 3280.75.			



§ 3280.181. Individual records.		51 64 4	Date for
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(a) An operator shall establish and maintain an individual record for			
each child enrolled in the facility.			
(b) Information in a child's record shall be kept current by the operator.			
(c) A parent is required to review and update the emergency contact			
information and the financial agreement at least once every 6 months or			
as soon as there is a change in the information.			
(d) Following review, a parent shall attest to the accuracy of information			
in subsection (c) by affixing a dated signature to the record.			
(e) If emergency information is updated in a master file, it shall be			
updated accordingly in other facility records.			
§ 3280.182. Content of records.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A child's record must contain the following information:			
(1) Initial and subsequent health reports.			
(2) The dates of application, admission and withdrawal of the child.			
(3) Signed parental consent for emergency medical care for the child.			
Written consent is required prior to admission.			
(4) Signed parental consent for administration of medications or special			
dietary needs.			
(5) Signed parental consent for administration of minor first-aid			
procedures by facility staff. Written consent is required prior to admission.			
(6) Signed parental consent for transportation, walking excursions,			
swimming and wading.			
(7) Reports of accidents, injuries and illnesses involving a child in care			
at the facility. The original report shall be given to the parent on the day of			
the incident. The second copy of the report shall be retained at the facility			
in an accident file. The third copy of the report shall be retained at the			
facility in the child's file.			
(8) A copy of the initial agreement and subsequent written agreements between the parent and the operator. The parent shall receive the original			
agreement.			
§ 3280.183. Confidentiality of records.			Date for
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A facility person may not disclose information concerning a child or			
family, except in the course of inspections and investigations by agents of			



the Department.			
§ 3280.184. Release of information.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The parent shall have access to the child's complete child day care record.			
(b) Except as provided in § 3280.183 (relating to confidentiality of records), release or dissemination of information in a child's record may be made by the operator and only with written parental consent. When file material is released, the person who authorized the release shall record the following information in the child's file:			
(1) The name and position of the individual to whom the information was released.			
(2) The date the information was released.			
(3) The portions of the record that were released.			
(4) The purpose of the release.			
(5) The signature of the individual who authorized the release.			
§ 3280.185. Record retention.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A copy of the child's record shall be retained at the facility for at least 1 year after termination of service, unless the entire record is transferred by the operator to the parent or guardian or to another agency at the request of the parent or guardian.			

ADULT RECORDS				
§ 3280.191. Individual records.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction	
An individual record is required for each facility person.				
§ 3280.192. Content of records.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction	
A record shall include a copy of the following information:				
(1) The name, address and telephone number of the facility person.				
(2) Verification as follows:				
(i) Verification of age.				
(ii) Verification of child care experience, education and training prior				
to service at the facility.				
(iii) Verification of child care experience, education and training following the outset or service at the facility.				



(iv) Acceptable verification of experience, education or training is a				
transcript or a diploma or a letter signed by a representative of the				
experiential, educational or training entity.				
(3) A written report of initial and subsequent health assessments,				
including the results of initial and subsequent tuberculin skin tests, x-rays				
or other medical documentation necessary to confirm freedom from				
communicable tuberculosis.				
(4) A copy of requests for the criminal history record and child abuse				
registry clearance information, a copy of the disclosure statement and a				
copy of the completed clearance information required under the CPSL.				
(5) Two written, nonfamily references from individuals attesting to the				
person's suitability to serve as a facility person.				
(6) Records of training required by the Department.				
§ 3280.193. Confidentiality of records.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction	
A facility person may not disclose information concerning another facility				
person or adult providing a service at the facility except in the course of				
investigations or inspections by agents of the Department.				
§ 3280.211. Waivers of staff qualifications.	Mat	Diam of Action	Date for	
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A staff person previously granted a waiver of staff qualification is	_			
permanently qualified at the position level specified by the waiver.				

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAMS				
§ 3280.221. Requirements specific to school-age programs.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction	
(a) If a child is required to be enrolled in public or private school under the Public School Code of 1949 (24 P. S. § § 1-101—27-2702) and if the child is not enrolled and if the child is not exempted from enrollment under the Public School Code, a child day care facility may not admit the child for care during the hours when the child is required by law to attend public or private school.				
(b) A facility or a space in a facility in which care is provided exclusively to school-age children shall comply only with the following:				
(10) Child health. Sections 3280.131—3280.134(a) and 3280.136—3280.138. An equivalent health report completed by a school is acceptable as documentation of child health for a school-age child.				
(11) Adult health. Sections 3280.151—3280.153, 3280.154(a) and				

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3280.155 (relating to adult health).	
(12) Nutrition:	
(i) In a facility operating a school-age program for fewer than 4	
consecutive hours, the nutrition requirements do not apply.	
(ii) If a program operates for 4 or more consecutive hours or if a	
program provides meals or snacks, the primary staff person shall comply	
with § 3280.161—3280.165.	
(13) Transportation:	
(i) A facility is exempt from transportation requirements when children	
attending care at the facility are transported in vehicles owned and	
operated by the school district in which the facility is located.	
(ii) A facility not operating under the provisions referenced in	
subparagraph (i) shall comply with requirements located in § 3280.171—	
3280.178 (relating to transportation).	
(14) Child records. Sections 3280.181—3280.185 (relating to child	
records).	
(15) Adult records. Sections 3280.191—3280.193 (relating to adult	
records).	
(16) Special exceptions. Sections 3280.211—3280.213 and 3280.215.	
(17) Telephone. Staff persons shall have immediate access to a	
working telephone on the facility premises. If a land-line telephone is not	
accessible to staff persons during the hours of facility operation, a	
wireless telephone is acceptable.	