

Family Child Day Care Homes Self-Assessment Checklist to Support Certification Compliance

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§ 3290.2. Purpose.

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

§ 3290.3. Applicability.

- (a) This chapter applies to facilities in which out-of-home care is provided, at any one time, for part of a 24-hour day to four, five or six children who are not related to the operator and who are 15 years of age or younger. This chapter applies to private or public, profit or nonprofit facilities.
- (b) This chapter does not apply to the following:
 - (1) Care provided by relatives.
 - (2) Care furnished in places of worship during religious services.
- (c) In addition to the requirements in this chapter, the family child day care home shall be in compliance with applicable provisions of Article X(c) of the act (62 P. S. § § 1070—1080).



§ 3290.4. 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.

Applicant — A legal entity who makes a written request to operate a registered family child day care home.

Appeal — A written, signed and dated statement requesting reconsideration or modification of a Departmental decision that negatively affects the certificate of registration of the facility. An appeal is made by the facility operator or by the facility's legal entity.

CPS — Child Protective Services.

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

Certification of registration — A document issued by the Department to a legal entity permitting the legal entity to operate a specific type of facility at a specific location for a specific period of time not to exceed 2 years from the date of issue, according to applicable Departmental regulations. A certificate of registration approves the operation of a facility subject to Article X(c) of the act (62 P. S. § § 1070—1080).

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 exploitation; 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 a 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).

Denial — The written refusal of the Department to issue a certificate of registration to a new applicant.

Department — The Department of Human Services of the Commonwealth.

Facility — A family child day care home.

Facility person — A staff person, a substitute staff person or a volunteer.

Family child day care home — A home other than the child's own home, operated for profit or not-for-profit, in which child day care is provided at any one time to four, five or six children unrelated to the operator.

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 — A review of facility operation to determine compliance with applicable laws or regulations, conducted by an agent of the Department.

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, corporation or partnership that is legally responsible for the administration of the facility.



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

Nonrenewal — The written refusal of the Department to issue a certificate of registration to a legal entity previously granted a certificate of registration at the same location.

Operator — The term is synonymous with the term "caregiver" in section 1070 of the act (62 P. S. § 1070).

Parent — The biological or adoptive mother or father or the legal 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.

Random sample — The total of the registered family child day care homes annually selected for inspection by the Department.

Regional office of child day care — One of four Departmental offices responsible for certified child day care facilities located in counties assigned to the regional office. A certificate of registration is issued by a regional office to the legal entity responsible for the operation of a family child day care home.

Registration law — The act of December 5, 1980 (P. L. 1112, No. 193) (62 P. S. § § 1070—1080).

Relative — A child, stepchild, grandchild or foster child.

Revocation — The Department's written retraction of a certificate of registration which occurs prior to expiration of the facility's certificate of registration.

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 used for child care.



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

Supervise — To be present in the child care facility with the children or with the facility person under supervision. Supervision is 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. A volunteer assists in implementing daily program activities.



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BUILDING CODES			
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A certificate of registration will not be granted by the Department until he legal entity provides a certificate of occupancy as proof of compliance with the applicable requirements in 34 Pa. Code § 403.23 (relating to child day care facilities).			
3290.15. 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 egarding community resources.			
§ 3290.16. Child abuse reporting.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
a) An operator or facility 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 esponsible to notify ChildLine of suspected child abuse. The operator or designated staff person with this responsibility shall mmediately 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 o the CPS unit which has responsibility for investigating the report.			
§ 3290.17. Reporting injury, death or fire.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator or the operator's designee 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:			



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language or mode of communication which is understandable to the parent.			
§ 3290.20. 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 space whenever children are in care, unless a court of competent jurisdiction has limited the parental right of access to the child and a copy of the order is on file at the facility. Opportunities shall be provided for parents to participate in the facility's program.			
§ 3290.21. 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 laws and regulations.			
(c) An agent of the Department will inspect for compliance with this chapter in all areas of the facility premises that are accessible to children.			
§ 3290.22. Availability of certificate of registration and applicable regulations.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The facility's current certificate of registration 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 provide the parent of each child enrolled in the facility with a copy of this chapter.			
(c) The operator shall post a copy of each inspection summary issued by the Department next to the facility's certificate of registration in a conspicuous location used by parents. The inspection summary must remain posted until an agent of the Department verifies that each noncompliance item noted on the inspection summary has been corrected.			



§ 3290.23. Compliance with nondiscrimination requirements.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) An operator shall comply with the statutes listed in subsection (b).			
An operator or staff person may not discriminate on the basis of age,			
race, sex, religious creed, ethnic origin, handicap, National origin or			
economic status and shall observe applicable Federal and State			
statutes and regulations.			
(b) A certificate of registration 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 registration 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).			
(c) The appropriate forms to establish compliance shall be included			
with the application for certificate of registration.			
§ 3290.24. 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 § 3290.94(f) and (g) (relating to fire drills).			
(3) A method for facility persons to contact parents as soon as			
reasonably possible when an emergency situation arises.			
(4) A method for facility persons to inform parents that the			
emergency has ended and to provide instruction as to how parents			



can safely be reunited with their children.		
(b) The operator shall review the emergency plan at least annually		
and update the plan as needed. Each review and update of the		
emergency plan shall be documented in writing and kept on file at the		
facility.		
(c) Each facility person shall receive training regarding the		
emergency plan at the time of initial employment, on an annual basis		
and at the time 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			
§ 3290.31. Age and training.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator shall have the following qualifications:			
(1) Be 18 years of age or older.			
(2) Have a high school diploma or a general educational			
development certificate and submit proof to the appropriate regional			
office of the Department at the time of registration renewal.			
(b) Staff persons shall be 18 years of age or older.			
(c) A volunteer shall be 16 years of age or older. A volunteer shall be			
directly supervised at all times by a staff person.			
(d) 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 Post-secondary accreditation and acceptable to the	
Department of Education.	
(2) The curriculum includes acceptable training topics referenced in	
subsection (f)(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.	
(e) 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 of 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.	
(f) A staff person shall obtain a biennial minimum of 12 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 Postsecondary 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. The following constitutes			
competence in training areas as follows:			
(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 expiration of certification or 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.			
g) Completion of training shall be documented by the signature and			
title of a representative of the training entity and shall include the date			
training was completed. Documentation shall be retained in the			
facility person's file.			
§ 3290.32. Suitability of persons in the facility.	N/ -4	Diam of Action	Date for
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(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.			
(d) One or more persons competent in first-aid techniques shall be at			



the facility when day care children are in care.

STAFF-CHILD RATIO			
§ 3290.51. Maximum number of children.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The number of children in care may not exceed six children at any one time who are unrelated to the operator.			
§ 3290.52. Ratio requirements.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The operator may provide care to no more than five related and unrelated infants and toddlers at any one time. No more than two related and unrelated infants may receive care at any one time. The following numbers of infants and toddlers are permitted in a family day care home:			
(1) If no infants are in care, five toddlers are permitted.			
(2) If one infant is in care, four toddlers are permitted.			
(3) If two infants are in care, three toddlers are permitted.			

PHYSICAL SITE			
§ 3290.61. Unsafe areas in outdoor space.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
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.			
§ 3290.62. Outside walkways.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Outside walkways shall be free from ice, snow, leaves, equipment and other hazards.			
§ 3290.63. Protective electrical covers.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Protective receptacle covers shall be placed in electrical outlets accessible to children 5 years of age or younger.			
§ 3290.64. 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			



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children. Toxics 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, 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.			
§ 3290.65. 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 premises at least once			
per week.			
(c) Evidence of infestation of insects or rodents may not be in the			
facility.			
(d) Trash that has been contaminated by human secretions or			
excrement shall be contained in closed, plastic-lined receptacles.			
§ 3290.66. Smoking.	Mot	Plan of Action	Date for
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(a) Cigarettes, pipes or cigars may not be smoked in indoor or			
outdoor child care space or food preparation areas when children are			
in care in the space or when food is being prepared.			
(b) Ashes and cigarette or cigar butts are prohibited in indoor or			
outdoor child care space or food preparation areas.			
(c) At the time of a child's enrollment, the operator shall inform the			
parent of the smoking policy at the facility.			
§ 3290.67. Water.	Mad	Diam of Antion	Date for
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(a) A safe and adequate supply of drinking water shall be made			
available to children of all ages throughout the day.			
(b) Drinking water shall be provided to children who are out-of-doors			
for a period exceeding 1 hour.			
§ 3290.68. Indoor temperature.		Discost Andres	Date for
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(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.			
§ 3290.69. Hot water pipes and other sources of heat.		DI 6.8 (1)	Date for
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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.			
§ 3290.70. Ventilation.	34.4	Discost Andrew	Date for
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(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 doors above the ground floor that open directly to the			
outdoors & are accessible to children shall be constructed, modified			
or adapted to limit the openings to 6 or fewer inches.			
§ 3290.71. Telephone.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A facility shall have an operable phone. A facility that has an			
unpublished phone 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 & the appropriate regional office of the			
Depart. The parent shall be notified that the number is unpublished.			
§ 3290.72. Emergency telephone numbers.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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Telephone numbers of the nearest hospital, police department, fire			
department, ambulance and poison control center shall be posted by			
each telephone in the facility.			
§ 3290.73. First-aid kit.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
(a) A facility or other as first states			Correction
(a) A facility must have a first-aid kit.			
(b) A first-aid kit shall be kept in a place 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 must accompany children and facility person on			
excursions from the facility. The first aid kit taken on an excursion			
must contain a bottle of water in addition to the items specified in subsection (c).			
§ 3290.74. Building surface requirements.			Date for
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(a) Flagge wells esiling and other surfaces including the facility's			
(a) Floors, walls, ceilings and other surfaces, including the facility's			
outdoor play area, shall be kept clean, in good repair and free from			
visible hazards.			
(b) Hallways and stairways used by children shall be well-lighted.			Data fari
§ 3290.75. 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 space.			
(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) Children may not be present during removal of paint from the			
indoor or outdoor surfaces of a facility.			
(d) Abrasive removal methods which include dry sanding, electrical			
sanding, sandblasting, open flame burning or a removal process that			
permits the release of leaded particulate material into the			
environment are prohibited.			
(e) Child care may resume when the removal process is completed			
and when accompanying debris is removed.			
§ 3290.76. Firearms.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Weapons and firearms shall be contained in locked cabinet.			
(b) Ammunition shall be contained in a locked area separate from			
weapons and firearms.			
(c) The operator shall notify the parent when weapons, firearms or			
ammunition are present at the facility.			
§ 3290.77. Glass.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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A visual strip or other visual identification shall be placed on glass			
located in a traffic area or a child care space.			
§ 3290.78. Toilet area.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
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(a) The facility shall have at least one indoor flushing toilet and one			
sink. Running water shall be available at the sink.			
(b) Training chairs may be used, if emptied and sanitized after each			
use. A sanitizing solution of ¼ cup bleach to 1 gallon of water may be			
used. A sanitizing solution shall be treated as a toxic. See § 3290.64			
(relating to toxics).			
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(c) Toilets and training chairs shall be located in rooms separate from rooms used for cooking or eating.

FIRESAFETY			
§ 3290.91. 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 and devices that can be opened easily are			
permitted, if they open easily and are not disapproved by building			
codes or local ordinance.			
(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.			
§ 3290.92. Space heaters.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Fixed and 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 to prevent contact.			
(c) The manufacturer's instructions for use shall be kept in an			
accessible area in the facility.			
§ 3290.93. Fireplaces and wood-burning and coal-burning	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
stoves.	MEC	Fian of Action	Correction
Fireplaces, fireplace inserts and wood-burning or coal-burning stoves,			
if allowed by local ordinance, shall be securely screened or equipped			
with protective guards while in use.			
§ 3290.94. Fire drills.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Fire evacuation plans shall be developed and posted.			
(b) Evacuation plans shall provide for removal of persons from the			
facility in a single trip.			
(c) Fire evacuation drills shall be conducted at least four times a			
year.			



EQUIPMENT			
§ 3290.101. 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.			
§ 3290.102. 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 over 4 ft high must have guards along both sides of 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.			

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§ 3290.102b. Playground protective surface covering—statement of policy.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The requirement for playground protective surface covering in			
§ 3290(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 Outdoor Home Playground Safety Handbook,			
Publication 324. This publication is available on the Internet at			
http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/324.pdf or by calling the			
Consumer Public Safety Commission at (800) 638-2772.			
§ 3290.103. Small toys and objects.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
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.			
§ 3290.104. High chairs.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for
			Correction
High chairs shall have a wide base and a T-shaped safety strap.			
§ 3290.105. Rest equipment.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Individual, clean, age-appropriate rest equipment shall be			
providedfor preschool, toddler and infant children as agreed between			
the parent and the operator. The rest equipment must be labeled with			
the child's name and used only by the named child while enrolled in			
the program.			
(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 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.			

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 (h) Soiled bedding shall be cleaned before it is reused. (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. 			
§ 3290.106. Refrigerator.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The facility shall have an operable, clean refrigerator used to store potentially hazardous food. The refrigerator shall be capable of maintaining food at 45° F or below. An operating thermometer shall be placed in the refrigerator.			
§ 3290.107. Utensils.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(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.			

PROGRAM			
§ 3290.111. Daily activities.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A written plan of daily activities, including a time for free play shall be established.			
(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 and self-esteem. Daily experiences shall recognize the child as an individual and give some choice of activities that respect			
personal privacy, life-style and cultural background.			
§ 3290.112. 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.			
§ 3290.113. 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			



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(5) Swimming and wading	ratios	shall be maintained as follows:			
	Staff	Children			
Infant	1	1			
Young or older toddler	1	2			
Preschool	1	5			
Young school-age	1	6			
Older school-age	1	6			
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play that contains unfiltered					
§ 3290.116. Release of chi			Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
an individual designated in shall be released to either p facility states otherwise.	writin parent	n care only to the child's parent or to g by the enrolling parent. A child t unless a court order on file at the y be released to an individual upon			
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following information shall be	oe log				
(1) The name of the parent					
(2) The date and time of the	e req	uest.			

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(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.			
§ 3290.117. 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.			
§ 3290.118. 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					
§ 3290.121. 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).					
§ 3290.122. 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 about the service being planned as the child can understand. If the parent indicates that the child has a special need, the operator shall discuss the condition					

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with the parent refer to \$ 2200 4 (relating to definitions) and comply			
with the parent, refer to § 3290.4 (relating to definitions), and comply with § 3290.15, 3290.124 and 3290.131 (relating to service to a child			
with special needs; emergency contact information; and health			
information).			
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§ 3290.123. 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 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 § 3290.124(e) (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 § 3290.116 (relating to release of			
children).			
(6) The date of the child's admission.			
(7) The services which are to be considered as extra.			
(b) A parent shall receive the original agreement. The facility shall			
retain a copy of the agreement.			
§ 3290.124. Emergency contact information.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) Emergency contact information shall be present in a child care			
facility for each enrolled child. Emergency contact information must			
reference who shall be contacted in an emergency.			
(b) Emergency contact information must include the following:			
(1) The name and birth date of the child.			
(2) The name, address and telephone number of the child's source			
of medical care.			
(3) The home and work addresses and home and work telephone			
numbers of the enrolling parent.			
(4) A written consent signed by a parent for emergency medical care.			
(5) Information on the child's special needs, as specified by the			

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child's parent, physician, physician's assistant or CRNP, which is		
needed in an emergency situation.		
(6) Health insurance coverage and policy number for the child under		
a family policy or Medical Assistance (MA) benefits, if applicable.		
(7) The name, address and telephone number of the individual		
designated by the parent to whom the child may be released.		
(c) When children leave the facility on walking and riding excursions,		
emergency contact information specific to each child on the excursion		
shall accompany a staff person on the excursion.		
(d) A written plan shall be conspicuously posted which identifies the		
means of transporting a child to emergency care and the facility		
staffing provisions in the event of an emergency. The plan must		
accompany a staff person who leaves the facility on an excursion with		
children.		
(e) Emergency contact information shall be updated in writing by the		
parent once in a 6-month period or as soon as there is a change in		
the information.		

CHILD HEALTH			
§ 3290.131. Health information.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) The operator shall require the parent of an enrolled child 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:			

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(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, 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.			
§ 3290.132. Emergency medical care.			Date for
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(a) If emergency medical care is needed for a child, the parent shall			30110001011
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 the child to a source of			
emergency care and shall remain with the child until the parent or a			
person designated by 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 § 3290.17(d) (relating to reporting injury,			
death or fire).			
§ 3290.133. Child medication and special diets.			Date for
3 0200.100. Office medication and special diets.	Met	Plan of Action	Correction
The operator shall make reasonable accommodation in accordance			55.1550.011
with applicable Federal and State laws to facilitate administration of			
medication or a special diet that is prescribed by a physician,			
physician's assistant or CRNP as 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			

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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 medicine. Instructions for administration contained on a	
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the medicine. 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.	
(5) Medication shall be stored in accordance with the manufacturer's,	
health professional's or pharmacist'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.	
(iii) A requirement for refrigeration.	
(iv) The amount of medication administered.	
(v) The date of administration.	
(vi) The time of administration.	
(vii) The initials of the staff person who administered the medication.	
(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.	
§ 3290.134. Child hygiene. Date	for
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(a) A staff person shall ensure that a child's hands are washed	
before meals, 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	



operator 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) If brushing teeth is a program activity, a child shall have a labeled			
toothbrush.			
(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.			
§ 3290.135. 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.			
(b) Diaper changing surfaces shall be cleaned after each use by			
wiping the surface with a sanitizing solution or by changing a pad or			
other surface covering.			
(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.			
§ 3290.136. Reporting diseases.			



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(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 and administration of medication			ļ.
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-			ļ
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.			
§ 3290.137. Children with symptoms of disease.			
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3 3230.137. Children with Symptoms of disease.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
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An operator who observes an enrolled child with symptoms of a communicable disease or infection that can be transmitted directly or	Met	Plan of Action	
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ADULT HEALTH			
§ 3290.151. 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 on file at the facility.			
(1) The operator shall submit a health assessment to the Department			
prior to issuance of an initial or renewal certificate of registration.			
(2) 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 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, CRNP, the Department of Health or a			
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.			
§ 3290.151a. Tuberculosis testing—statement of policy.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The Department will accept an interferongamma release assay blood test instead of the Mantoux skin test for an adult health assessment.			
§ 3290.152. Adult hygiene.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A facility person shall wash his hands before meals and snacks, after toileting and after diapering a child.			
§ 3290.153. Facility persons with symptoms of disease.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
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 facility 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.			
§ 3290.154. Facility persons with skin disorders.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A facility person with a discharging or infected wound, sore, lesion on hands, arms or an exposed portion of the body shall be excluded from child care and food preparation activities until a physician or CRNP gives written notice 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.			
§ 3290.155. 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 his ability to perform the stated job function.			



NUTRITION			
	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.			
(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.			
(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—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).			



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 the request of the parent or child.	
The operator shall discuss the general menu plan with the parent so	
that the daily nutritional needs of the child can be met.	
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 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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TRANSPORTATION			
§ 3290.171. Consent.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The operator shall obtain written consent from the parent for transportation by the facility staff.			
§ 3290.172. Age of driver.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The operator of the vehicle shall be 18 years of age or older and shall have a valid operator's license.			
§ 3290.173. Safety restraints.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(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.			
§ 3290.174. 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 pick-up trucks 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.			
§ 3290.175. Supervision.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
Children may not be left unattended in a vehicle.			
§ 3290.176. Transportation first-aid kit.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
A first-aid kit, including the contents specified in § 3290.73 (relating to first-aid kit) shall be in the vehicle when children are being transported. The kit may be the same kit described at § 3290.73.			

CHILD RECORDS			
	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(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 record for accuracy at least once in a 6-month period or as soon as there is a change in the information.			
(d) Following review, a parent shall attest to the record's accuracy by			



affixing a dated signature to the record.	
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 while	
care at the facility. The original report is given to the parent on the	
day of the incident. The second copy of the report is retained at the	
facility in an accident file. The third copy of the report is retained at	
the facility in the child's file.	
(8) A copy of the initial and subsequent written agreement between	
the parent and the operator. The parent shall receive the original	
agreement.	
(a) A child's record is confidential.	
(b) 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.	
(a) The parent shall have access to the child's complete child day	
care record.	
(b) Except as provided in § 3290.183 (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 which were released.	
(4) The purpose of the release.	
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(5) The signature of the person who authorized the release.	



ADULT RECORDS			
§ 3290.191. Individual records required.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
An individual record is required for each staff person.			
§ 3290.192. 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 staff person.			
(2) 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.			
(3) 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.			
(4) Records of training required by the Department.			
§ 3290.193. 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 inspections & investigations by agents of the Dept.			
§ 3290.212. Play surfaces.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
(a) A facility registered by the Department as of Sept. 22, 2008, has until Sept. 22, 2010, to comply with the protective surface requirement as described in § 3290.102(c) (relating to condition of play equipment).			
(b) A facility registered by the Department as of Sept. 22, 2008, which has a play surface or play surface not in compliance with § 3920.102(e) has until Sept. 22, 2010, to comply with § 3290.102(e).			
§ 3290.213. Age and training.	Met	Plan of Action	Date for Correction
The operator of a facility who is lawfully operating a family child day care home registered by the Department as of Sept. 22, 2008, is permanently qualified as an operator of a family day care home.			