

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION OFFICE OF CHILDHOOD - CHILD CARE COMPLIANCE COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT 7/20/2017

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RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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CONCLUSION SUMMARY

Based on interviews conducted and observations made during the investigation, a facility caregiver did not report suspected Child Abuse and Neglect (CA/N) immediately as required by the Mandated Reporting Law for Missouri.

Caregiver, Whitney Weston, reported she was told by Susan Doyle (Director's Assistant) not to call the hotline to report her concerns regarding an incident at the facility. CCFS Kreitzer observed text messages between Ms. Weston, Brian Simmons (Director) and Jamie Watkins (Board Member) in which Ms. Weston reported she feared punishment by the state if she were to make a hotline report "too late." Ms. Weston stated she was incredibly uncomfortable to think there could be situations in the children's lives that she chose not to hotline. Board Member, Jamie Watkins, stated Ms. Weston should know her responsibilities since she completed mandated reporter training and it was her choice to make the call.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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The facility shall provide documentation to show the all caregivers and volunteers counted in ratio and all individuals in management have completed the mandated reporter training by September 30, 2017.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

COMPLETED DATE

Yes 9/28/2017

DISPOSITION DISPOSITION DATE

SUBSTANTIATED

9/7/2017

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