

(Rule 0520-12-1-.10, continued)

- (a) At least one staff member who has current certification or equivalent in infant/child CPR shall be on duty at all times. The initial course shall be a minimum of four hours and shall be taught by a currently certified CPR instructor.
 - (b) When school age children are present at least one staff member who has current certification or equivalent in adult CPR shall be on duty at all times. The initial course shall be a minimum of four hours and shall be taught by a currently certified CPR instructor.
 - (c) At least one staff member who has current certification or equivalent in infant/child first aid shall be on duty at all times. The course shall be a minimum of three hours and shall be taught by a certified first aid instructor.
 - (d) Current and comprehensive first aid information shall be available to all staff who interact with children and they shall be familiar with such information.
 - (e) A standard first aid kit (such as one approved by the American Red Cross) shall be available to the staff.
 - (f) Firearms shall not be on the premises of a child care agency or in the presence of a child. Kitchen knives and other potentially dangerous utensils or tools shall be secured so that they are not accessible to children.
 - (g) The center, in consultation with appropriate local authorities, shall develop a written plan to protect children in the event of disaster such as, but not limited to, fire, tornado, earthquake, chemical spills, floods, etc. and shall inform parents of the plan. The center shall implement these emergency procedures through timely practice drills to meet local regulations and shall maintain documentation of drills for one year.
 - (h) Emergency telephone numbers shall be posted next to the telephone and readily available to any staff member as follows: fire department, police department/sheriff, hospital, child abuse hotline, and local emergency management agency. Rescue squad, ambulance, and poison control center telephone numbers shall also be posted if available in the community. If a generic number (such as, but not limited to, 911) is operable in the community, it shall be posted in addition to the above numbers. Numbers where parents can be reached shall be readily available to staff.
- (5) Investigations of Child Abuse and Neglect; Custodial Authority of Children.
- (a) Suspected child abuse or neglect shall be reported immediately to the local department of children's services office by the staff of the child welfare agency. Any citizen is required by law to cooperate with the Department of Children's Services (DCS), law enforcement, and other investigators. Failure to do so for children in the care of an approved child care agency is, by itself, grounds for suspension, denial or revocation of the agency's license.
 - (b) A child care provider shall further cooperate by providing access to the records of children and staff and by allowing investigators to interview children and staff. (Child care providers do not have a right to be present during interviews with staff or children or to receive information or results of the interviews or investigations concerning child abuse or neglect unless directly related to efforts to enforce the child abuse or licensing laws.) Interference with a DCS investigation by the child care provider may result in criminal charges.