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CHILD CARE CENTER/GROUP CHILD CARE HOME INSPECTION

Program Name	CHILDREN'S NOOK				License Number	DCCC.12743	Date of Inspection	03/21/2024
					Expiration Date	7/31/2025	Time of Inspection	08:20 AM
Address	925 OLD BUDDINGTON RD				Telephone	(860) 448-1984	Licensed Capacity	49
	GROTON	CT	06340-3293		Hours of Operation	M-F 6:30AM TO 5:30PM	Infant/Toddler Capacity	24
Is this a Change of Address?	Yes?		No?	X			Summer Care	Open
New Address					Minimum Age Served	6 weeks	Maximum Age Served	12 years
					Program's Email	lilac52us@yahoo.com		
Operator	CHILDREN'S NOOK INC				Name of Inspector	Carolynne DeLoreto		
Director	KAREN COSTELLO				Inspector's Email	carolynne.deloreto@ct.gov		
Key: Compliant = X Non-Compliant = O	# of Infants - Toddlers Present	5	# of Total Children Present	21	# of Staff Present	5	Type of Inspection	UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION - FULL

LICENSURE PROCEDURES 19a-79-2a

X	1. Local Health Inspection	
	Date: 07/11/2023	
X	1a. False or Misleading Statements	

ADMINISTRATION 19a-79-3a

X	1b. Administration	
X	1bb. Capacity	
X	2. New Staff – Employee Orientation	
X	3. Annual Staff Policy Training	
X	3b. Managing child behavior	
X	4. Documentation of Behavior M. Tech Discussed w/parents	
X	4b. Failure to report	

X	5. Notification of Change	
X	6. Program policies	Including discipline, supervision, child protection, general operating, personnel, closing time
X	7. Daily Attendance Records- staff and children	

ITEMS POSTED – ACCESSIBLE

X	8. License	
X	9. Fire Marshal certificate	
	Date	07/21/2023
X	10. OEC Complaint procedure	
	11. Food Service Certificate	N/A?
	Date	
X	12. Menus	
X	13. Emergency plans	
X	14. No Smoking Signs	
X	15. Radon Test	N/A?
	Date	Results
	03/01/1994	2.1-2.3
X	15a. Developmental Milestones	
X	15b. Access	
X	15bb. Endorsements	

STAFFING 19a-79-4a

X	15c. Staffing	
X	16. Staff Health records – TB tests	
X	17. Professional development	
X	18. Disciplinary actions	
X	18b. Background checks	

X	19. Designated Head Teacher					
X	20. Two Staff present					
X	20a. Staff Qualities					
X	21. Ratio: 1 staff to 10 children					
X	21b. Supervision					
X	22. Group Size – maximum 20 children					
X	23. Designated director - Training					
X	24. CPR Certified Staff (Group Home N/A)					
X	25. First Aid Trained Staff					
X	26. Consultants- Agreements and Contracts					
X	27. Logs – Visits documented					
	Not in Compliance?	Education	Health	Social Service	Dental	Dietician N/A? X
	Contracts					
	Logs					
	Do they take children swimming?	N SWIMMING				
X	28. Non-swimmers identified					
X	29. Staff/Child Ratios					
X	30. CPR certified staff (20 years of age)					
X	31. Lifeguard certified - supervision					
RECORD KEEPING 19a-79-5a						
X	32. Enrollment information					
X	33. Emergency medical permission					
X	34. Authorized release permission					
X	35. Field trip permission					
X	36. Transportation permission					

<input type="radio"/>	37. Child health records and immunizations	Failed to maintain current health records for children when one physical expired in September 2023.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	38. Individual care plan (signed by parents and staff)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	39. Injury, Illness, Accident reports		
HEALTH AND SAFETY 19a-79-6a			
<input type="radio"/>	40. Nutritious snacks and meals (required food groups)	Failed to document menu changes by the end of the program day when menu was switched yesterday and today but the change was not documented.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	41. Proper refrigeration (max 45°)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	42. Kitchen separated	N/A?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	43. Hand washing – before eating or food handling		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	44. First Aid Kit(s) – Indoor, Outdoor, Field Trips, Inventory		
PHYSICAL PLANT 19a-79-7a			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	45. License premises – clean, good repair, hazard free		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	47b. Plans for new construction, expansion, renovation or conversion		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	48. Sanitary drinking fountains – disposable cups		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	49. Lead Water Test (N/A?) 06/13/2023	Bacterial/Chemical Test (N/A?)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	50. Walkways maintained		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	51. Designated staff toilet/sink		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	52. All openings for ventilation screened		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	53. Windows protected to prevent falls		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	54. Glass protected up to 36"		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	55. Overhead doors – locking devices, spring protectors		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	56. Exits, Hallways and Stairs unobstructed		

X	57. Individual storage of clothing and bedding	
X	58. Smoking prohibited	
X	59. Matches and lighters inaccessible	
X	60. Electrical safety – outlets/cords	
X	61. Toileting needs met	
X	62. Required toilets, sinks, supplies	
X	63. Potty chairs – nonporous, emptied, disinfected	
X	64. Hand washing after toileting – staff and children	
X	65. Ventilation in toilet rooms	
X	66. Air temperature 65 degrees, thermometer affixed	
X	67. Water temperature 60° – 115°	
X	68. Portable space heaters	
X	69. Walls, ceilings, floors and rugs – clean, good repair	
X	70. Rugs secure	
X	71. Hot water, steam pipes protected	
X	72. Working phone on each level	
X	73. Emergency numbers posted	
X	74. Adequate lighting - 50/30 candle feet	
X	75. Light fixtures shielded, shatter proof	
X	76. Potentially hazardous substances locked	
X	77. Garbage, rubbish disposed daily	

X	78. Stairs protected, good repair, handrails	
X	79. Pets – maintained, care plan	Y/N N
X	80. Operable CO detector on each level	N/A? Y
X	81. Program space-adequate square footage per child	
X	82. Equipment clean, good repair, safe, non-toxic	
X	83. Cots stored, maintained, adequate number	
X	84. Developmentally appropriate equipment	
X	85. Hot tubs, spas, saunas – locked and inaccessible	Y/N N
X	86. No weapons, no facsimile of a firearm on premises	
OUTDOOR SPACE		
X	87. Outdoor space - adequate square footage per child	
X	88. Impact absorbing material under equipment	
O	89. Playground free from hazards	Failed to ensure the playground is free of glass, debris, holes and other hazards when a tree has fallen on the fence and branches are hanging into the toddler playground. A tree stump on preschool playground is deteriorating and poses a trip hazard.
X	92. Equipment anchored, safely arranged	
X	93. Outdoor play area protected, fenced	
X	94. Drinking water available, accessible	
EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS 19a-79-8a		
X	95. Written plan for daily program available to parents/staff	
X	96. Schedule – Activity choices and Program	Activity choices: developmentally appropriate, flexible, meets individual needs Program includes: indoor/outdoor, gross/fine motor skills, snacks/meals, rest/sleep/quiet time, toileting and clean up
ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS 19a-79-9a		
X	97. Written policies, procedures	
X	98. Training outline on file	

NONPRESCRIPTION TOPICAL MEDICATIONS						
X	99. Administration, parent permission, MAR					
X	100. Labeling, storage					
ORAL/TOPICAL/INHALENT MEDICATIONS						
X	101. Med trained staff, certificates					
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O/T/I	Injectable					
Y	Y					
X	102. Authorized prescriber, parent permission, MAR					
X	103. Labeling, storage					
○	104. Unused, expired meds returned/disposed	Failed to ensure that expired medication is destroyed or returned to the parent when an albuterol expired in February 2024.				
SELF-ADMINISTRATION						
X	105. Authorized prescriber, parent permission, MAR					
X	106. Labeling, storage					
X	107. Approved petition for special medication authorization					
No	Is there an approved endorsement?	INFANT/TODDLER ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-10				
	109. Approved endorsement					
	110. Ratio: 1 staff to 4 children					
	111. Group size: no larger than 8					
	112. Physical barriers, groups of 8 (indoors and outdoors)					
	113. Adequate sinks in program space					
	114. Free standing, well-constructed, safe cribs					
	115. Washable cots					
	116. Chairs for feeding, stable, safety straps, locking tray					
	117. Developmentally appropriate tables, chairs, equipment					
	118. Refrigerators and food prep facilities					

119. Diaper area- sturdy, safety rail, nonporous, exclusive use			
120. Diaper area- washed, disinfected			
121. Diaper area- disposable paper sheets			
122. Covered waste receptacle			
123. Diaper changing policy posted, followed			
124. Hand washing policy posted, followed			
125. Individual storage of personal items			
126. Cribs/cots washed and disinfected			
127. Under 12 months- placed on back for sleeping			
128. Alternate sleep position- equipment, medical documentation	Yes	No	
129. Crib, bed used for infant sleeping			
130. Crib, bed free from observable hazards			
131. Infant toys separate, washed, disinfected daily			
132. No toys, objects less than 1/1/4" diameter			
133. Plastic bags, balloons, Styrofoam objects inaccessible			
134. Health consultant, doc. of visits			
135. Infants held for bottles, indiv. attention, tummy time			
136. Written statement, feeding schedule from parent			
137. Unused portions of liquids discarded			
138. Clean Bottles, disp. bottles, approved bottle washing			
139. Food served from dish or whole jar served			
140. Bottles individually identified with child's name			

OUTDOOR PLAY SPACE - UNDER THREE

	141. Play space fenced	
	142. Outdoor equipment developmentally appropriate	
Yes	Is there an approved endorsement?	SCHOOL AGE ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-11
X	143. Approved endorsement	
X	144. Activity choices appropriate	
X	145. Ratio – 1 staff to 10 children	
X	146. Group size – maximum 20 children	
X	147. Education Consultant appropriate	
No	Is there an approved endorsement?	NIGHT CARE ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-12 (10pm-5am)
	148. Approved endorsement	
	149. Written program plan, supervision	
	150. Staff awake and available	
	151. Cot, crib, bedding, toiletries, sleep apparel	
	152. Individual storage of personal items	
	153. Bedding, sleeping apparel laundered weekly	
N	Child with diabetes enrolled?	MONITORING OF DIABETES 19a-79-13
X	154. Written policies and procedures	
X	155. On site staff trained in first aid, glucose testing	
X	156. Training current and documented	
X	157. Supervision of self-administration	
X	158. Equipment, supplies labeled and inaccessible	

X	159. Signed agreement with parents regarding equipment	
X	160. Materials discarded appropriately	
X	161. Authorized prescriber, parent permission	
X	162. Documentation of test results, actions taken	
X	163. Daily written parent notification	

ADDITIONAL VIOLATIONS

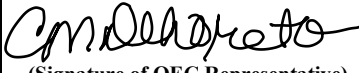

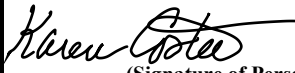
	62. Consent Order - Negotiated Corrective Action Plan	N/A?	
		X	

<u>YES or NO?</u> Yes	WERE VIOLATIONS CITED DURING THIS VISIT?
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DISCUSSIONS:

COMMENTS:

NOTE: Items left blank on this form were not monitored during this visit.
Only the regulations marked as compliant, non-compliant or not applicable were monitored or discussed.
APPLICANTS: You MAY NOT OPERATE until all requirements have been met and a license has been issued by the Agency.

 (Signature of OEC Representative)	 (Signature of OEC Representative)	DATE CORRECTIONS DUE BY:	 (Signature of Person in Charge)
Carolynne DeLoreto (Printed Name)	Carolynne DeLoreto (Printed Name)	04/04/2024	Karen Costello (Printed Name)