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CHILD CARE CENTER/GROUP CHILD CARE HOME INSPECTION

Program Name	MERIDEN YMCA LIL RASCALS				License Number	DCCC.70043	Date of Inspection	06/24/2024		
					Expiration Date	1/31/2028	Time of Inspection	07:45 AM		
Address	43 SWAIN AVE MERIDEN CT 06450-7215				Telephone	(203) 630-0039	Licensed Capacity	75		
					Hours of Operation	MONDAY-FRIDAY 7:00AM-6:00PM	Infant/Toddler Capacity	50		
Is this a Change of Address?	Yes?		No?	X			Summer Care	Open		
New Address					Minimum Age Served	6 weeks	Maximum Age Served	5 years	Water Supply	Public Water
					Program's Email	hvolpe@meridenymca.org				
Operator	MERIDEN-NEW BRITAIN-BERLIN YMCA, INC.				Name of Inspector	Johanne Dalo				
Director	Heather Volpe				Inspector's Email	johanne.dalo@ct.gov				
Key:	Compliant = X	# of Infants - Toddlers Present	9	# of Total Children Present	16	# of Staff Present	7	Type of Inspection	UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION - FULL	
	Non-Compliant = O									

LICENSURE PROCEDURES 19a-79-2a

X	1. Local Health Inspection	
	Date: 10/30/2023	
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	07/10/2023
X	10. OEC Complaint procedure	
X	11. Food Service Certificate	N/A?
	Date	12/31/2024
O	12. Menus	Failed to prepare and post menus at least 1 week in advance.
X	13. Emergency plans	
X	14. No Smoking Signs	
X	15. Radon Test	N/A?
	Date	Results
	05/04/2011	0.2 pCi/L
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?
	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 for 3 children.	
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	40. Nutritious snacks and meals (required food groups)		
<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 type="radio"/>	49. Lead Water Test (N/A?) 05/24/2022	Bacterial/Chemical Test (N/A?) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Failed to conduct a lead water test every 2 years.
<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	
O	70. Rugs secure	Failed to ensure that rugs are secured to the floor when observed 2 large rugs in Preschool room not secured.
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	
O	76. Potentially hazardous substances locked	Failed to ensure that potentially hazardous substances are stored in a locked area when observed Clorox wipes not locked in preschool room, laundry detergent bucket opened on small table, not locked in the staff bathroom, power cleaner & degreaser and 3 bottles of toilet bowl cleaner not 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	
O	82. Equipment clean, good repair, safe, non-toxic	Failed to ensure that equipment is clean and safe for children when observed dirty bottom of refrigerator (spilled milk) preschool, plastic black bins with drawers not secured (nursery), bottle warmer on top of plastic black bins (easy to tip over), door under sink missing a knob leaving a protruding piece.
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 hazards when observed large crack under the slide (large climber).
X	92. Equipment anchored, safely arranged	
O	93. Outdoor play area protected, fenced	Failed to ensure that barriers/fencing is four feet in height when observed T1 playground fence measuring less than 48 inches (42 to 45).
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 O/T/I Injectable Y Y	
O	102. Authorized prescriber, parent permission, MAR	Failed to maintain current written orders when observed 2 expired order.
X	103. Labeling, storage	
O	104. Unused, expired meds returned/disposed	Failed to ensure that expired medication is destroyed or returned to the parent when observed an expired albuterol (03/24)
SELF-ADMINISTRATION		
X	105. Authorized prescriber, parent permission, MAR	
X	106. Labeling, storage	
X	107. Approved petition for special medication authorization	
Yes	Is there an approved endorsement?	INFANT/TODDLER ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-10
X	109. Approved endorsement	
X	110. Ratio: 1 staff to 4 children	
X	111. Group size: no larger than 8	
X	112. Physical barriers, groups of 8 (indoors and outdoors)	
O	113. Adequate sinks in program space	Failed to designate sinks for diaper changing and hand washing of staff and children when observed a staff washing a paint brush in the handwashing sink (T2)
X	114. Free standing, well-constructed, safe cribs	
X	115. Washable cots	
O	116. Chairs for feeding, stable, safety straps, locking tray	Failed to maintain safety straps on when observed 2 infants not buckled in bucket seats.
X	117. Developmentally appropriate tables, chairs, equipment	
X	118. Refrigerators and food prop facilities	

X	119. Diaper area- sturdy, safety rail, nonporous, exclusive use					
X	120. Diaper area- washed, disinfected					
X	121. Diaper area- disposable paper sheets					
X	122. Covered waste receptacle					
X	123. Diaper changing policy posted, followed					
X	124. Hand washing policy posted, followed					
X	125. Individual storage of personal items					
X	126. Cribs/cots washed and disinfected					
X	127. Under 12 months- placed on back for sleeping					
X	128. Alternate sleep position- equipment, medical documentation	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Yes</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>X</td> </tr> </table>	Yes	No		X
Yes	No					
	X					
X	129. Crib, bed used for infant sleeping					
X	130. Crib, bed free from observable hazards					
X	131. Infant toys separate, washed, disinfected daily					
X	132. No toys, objects less than 1/1/4" diameter					
O	133. Plastic bags, balloons, Styrofoam objects inaccessible	Failed to ensure plastic bags, balloons and styrofoam objects are not accessible to children when observed large ziplock bags accessible to children in kitchen area and T5				
X	134. Health consultant, doc. of visits					
X	135. Infants held for bottles, indiv. attention, tummy time					
X	136. Written statement, feeding schedule from parent					
X	137. Unused portions of liquids discarded					
X	138. Clean Bottles, disp. bottles, approved bottle washing					
X	139. Food served from dish or whole jar served					
X	140. Bottles individually identified with child's name					

OUTDOOR PLAY SPACE - UNDER THREE

X	141. Play space fenced	
X	142. Outdoor equipment developmentally appropriate	
No	Is there an approved endorsement?	SCHOOL AGE ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-11
	143. Approved endorsement	
	144. Activity choices appropriate	
	145. Ratio – 1 staff to 10 children	
	146. Group size – maximum 20 children	
	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	




YES or NO?
Yes

WERE VIOLATIONS CITED DURING THIS VISIT?

DISCUSSIONS/COMMENTS

- dirty seat in T2
- telephone cord dangling in T2
- rust on floor vent in infant room.
- very dirty tape observed in first aid kit in preschool room.
- gate at bottom of stair in kitchen

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: 07/08/2024	 (Signature of Person in Charge)
Johanne Dalo (Printed Name)	 (Printed Name)		Heather Volpe (Printed Name)