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**CHILD CARE CENTER/GROUP CHILD CARE HOME
 INVESTIGATION**

Program Name	CHILDREN OF AMERICA WETHERSFIELD				License Number	DCCC.70648	Date of Inspection	08/28/2024
					Expiration Date	5/31/2026	Time of Inspection	02:30 PM
Address	1199 SILAS DEANE HWY WETHERSFIELD CT 06109-4301				Telephone	(959) 223-2100	Total Capacity	136
					Days and Hours	Monday to Friday 6:30am-6:30pm	Under Three Capacity	56
#Children Present	76	# Under 3 Present	44	# Staff Present	18	Summer Care	Open	
Purpose of Investigation	Case 2024-886 Self report				Name of Inspector	Valecia Williams		
Program's Email	coawethersfieldct@childrenofamerica.com				Inspector's Email	valecia.williams@ct.gov		

SUBSTANTIATED VIOLATIONS OF REGULATIONS

VIOLATION	Statute - Regulation [19a-79-3a]	Description: 001b-Administration-Ensuring the safety, health & development of children
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(a)Failed to ensure the safety, health and development of the children when a child had/gained access to a vape pen containing nicotine, that was inadvertently dropped from a staff member's pocket while staff was attending to the children in the classroom. The child found the vape pen on the floor. The vape had smoke coming out of it. In addition, the staff did not immediately notify administration of the incident until at least 3 hours later- after the child had gone home. Program was not in compliance with this regulation.

VIOLATION	Statute - Regulation [19a-79-3a(d)(2) thru (8) &/or19a-79-7a(d)(11)(A)]	Description: 006-Policies
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Failed to implement policies, plans and procedures pertaining to a smoke-free workplace when staff had in his possession, in the classroom, a vape pen containing nicotine. The vape pen fell out of the staff's pocket, and the child picked up the vape pen. Per the staff who found the child with the vape pen, there was smoke coming out of the vape pen. Program was not in compliance with this regulation.

VIOLATION	Statute - Regulation 19a-79-4a(c)(4)(D)	Description: 021b-Supervision
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Failed to ensure the supervision of children at all times while indoors when a child was able to gain access to a vape pen containing nicotine in the classroom. The child found the vape pen on the floor in the classroom. A staff person admitted that the vape pen belonged to him and that it had accidentally fallen out of his pocket in the classroom while he was attending to the children. Program was not in compliance with this regulation

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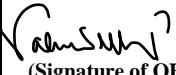
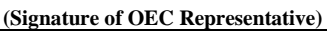

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NOT SUBSTANTIATED AND/OR PENDING VIOLATIONS OF REGULATIONS		
STATUS: Not Substantiated	Statute - Regulation [19a-79-3a(b)(7) &/or 19a-79-4a(3)]	Description: 002-New Staff/Employee Orientation
There was insufficient evidence to support that the program did not provide new staff orientation to staff. Program was in compliance with this regulation.		
STATUS: Not Substantiated	Statute - Regulation [19a-79-4a(a)(4)]	Description: 018-Disciplinary Actions
There was insufficient evidence to support that the program did not administer disciplinary actions to staff who were in violation of the program's policies and procedures. Program was in compliance with this regulation.		
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YES/NO: Yes	WERE VIOLATIONS CITED DURING THIS VISIT?
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DISCUSSIONS/COMMENTS

NOTE: Only the regulations marked as pending, substantiated or non-substantiated were monitored or discussed.

 (Signature of OEC Representative)	 (Signature of OEC Representative)	DATE CORRECTIONS DUE BY:	 (Signature of Person in Charge)
Valecia Williams (Printed Name)	 (Printed Name)	09/11/2024	Lauren Eldridge- Director (Printed Name)