Department of Children & Youth

# Licensing Inspection Full Report

All licensed early care and education programs are inspected at least once each year. Non-compliances are documented and grouped by risk level. Documenting statements, technical assistance provided and supplemental information may be included in this report. Licensing inspection reports from the previous three years can be viewed on the Department of Children & Youth website at https://childcaresearch.ohio.gov/ . This includes complaint investigation reports with substantiated allegations. For any other early care and education records, please contact the Family and Customer Support Center at 1-844-234-5437.

| Program Details | | |
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| Program Name<br>Serendipity Preschool | Program Number<br>2230028676 | Program Type<br>Child Care Center |
| Address<br>119 N. Franklin St. New Bremen<br>OH<br>45869 | | County<br>AUGLAIZE |

| Inspection Information | | | |
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| Inspection Type<br>Annual | Inspection Scope<br>Full | Inspection Method<br>On-site Inspection | Inspection Notice<br>Unannounced |
| Inspection Date<br>10/09/2026 | Begin Time<br>9:00 AM | End Time<br>11:00 AM | Reviewer:<br>Rita Campbell |

| Summary of Findings | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. Requirements Verified<br>67 | No. Requirements with Non-compliances<br>2 | | No. Requirements Compliant<br>41 |
| No. Serious Risk<br>0 | No. Moderate Risk Findings<br>1 | No. Other Non-compliance Findings<br>1 | No. Technical Assistance Provided<br>5 |

| License Capacity and Enrollment at the Time of Inspection | | | | |
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| Age Group | License Capacity | Enrollment | | |
| | Totals | Full Time | Part Time | Total |
| Infant ( Birth to < 18 m) | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Young Toddler | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Total Under 2 ½ Years** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Older Toddler | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Preschool | | 0 | 37 | 37 |
| School Age | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Total Capacity/Enrollment** | 24 | 0 | 37 | 37 |

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| Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection | | | | |
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| **Group** | **Age Group/Range** | **Ratio Observed** | **Compliance** | **Comment** |
| M-W-F ~ AM | | 3 to 20 | In Compliance | 11:00 |
| M-W-F ~ AM | | 3 to 20 | In Compliance | 9:00 |
| T-R ~ AM | | 0 to 0 | | Not in Session |

## Summary of Non-Compliances

*If a program disagrees with a licensing finding, the program may request a review of the finding(s). Ohio Administrative Code 5180:2-12-03, 5180:2-13-03, 5180:2-19-10 and 5180:2-20-02 detail the process for submitting a request for review. The request for review must be submitted within ten business days from the receipt of the licensing report. In addition, if the program is Step Up To Quality rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited.*

## Serious Risk Non-Compliances

A serious risk non-compliance is a licensing rule violation that has the potential to lead to a great risk of harm to a child and is observable and/or based on facts.

**No serious risk non-compliances were observed during this inspection**

## Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

A moderate risk non-compliance is a licensing rule violation that has the potential to lead to a great risk of harm to a child and is observable and/or based on facts.

**Domain**: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to have all staff request background checks as required and receive a DCY 01176 or preliminary approval from DCY prior to allowing an individual to engage in assigned duties or be near children.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that background checks did not meet the requirements of the rule for the person(s) listed on the Employee Record Chart.

The following was observed:

The request for a background check for childcare was not submitted in the OPR.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the DCY 01176, or a copy of the preliminary approval or a statement that the individual(s) are no longer engaged in assigned duties and are not near children until the preliminary approval has been received, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/12/2026

## Other Non-Compliances

This section includes other rule violations that are observable and/or based on facts.

**Domain**: **10 Written Policies & Procedures**

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan

Requirement: The program is required to have an emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP).

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program's emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP) did not meet the requirement or was missing the information.

The following was observed as missing:

medical or dental emergencies, including emergency transportation; emergency or evacuation and relocation procedures due to hazardous materials and spills, gas leaks, or bomb threats; or due to threats of violence which include active shooter, bioterrorism, or terrorism; emergency numbers for medical, dental, and transport-related emergencies in addition to 9-1-1; the location of supplies and procedures for gathering necessary supplies for staff and children if required to shelter in place; contact with local emergency management officials

Make the necessary revisions to the EPRP. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes the revised information, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/12/2026

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## Technical Assistance Provided

This section documents technical assistance provided to the program when the program demonstrated an overall level of compliance with a rule requirement.

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements

Requirement: The program staff is required to have educational verification on file at the program.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the employee's education document verifying completion of high school education is not complete or on file as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection

Requirement: The program is required to have staff complete the online staff orientation training. Additionally, the training must be completed before they are permitted to have sole responsibility of children.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the employee's orientation is not complete as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Staff Immunization Records

Requirement: The program is required to have every employee provide immunization records.

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Findings: During the inspection, it was determined verification of staff immunization was not on file as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to have all child care staff members complete training in child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention within sixty days of hire. Staff must complete training in first aid and CPR within the first ninety days of hire.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined staff have not completed health and safety training(s) as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

**Domain: 10 Written Policies & Procedures**

Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures

Requirement: The program's policies and procedures are required to include all topics outlined in rule.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program's policies and procedures handbook does not contain all items as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

**In Compliance/Not Verified/Previously Verified/Not Applicable**

This section documents rule requirements that were assessed as fully compliant, previously verified, not verified during this inspection or not applicable to the program.

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-18 License Capacity | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program was operating within their license capacity limits. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-02 License Visible | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The license was in a location visible to parents as required. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection | Compliant | Documenting Statement: A copy of the certificate of occupancy was available on-site for review. |

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| Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection | Compliant | Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, the program was operating in compliance with the current building approval(s). |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Fire Inspection | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Please Note: Documentation of a fire inspection without any uncorrected violations must be secured for the program. Secure a new fire inspection by 8-13-27 |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-05 Denial, Revocation and Suspension | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The administrator has completed the rules review course. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Employment records for current as well as past employees were being maintained on file as required. |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program had at least one Child Care Staff Member with currently valid training in First Aid, Management of Communicable Disease, CPR, and Child Abuse Prevention present and readily accessible during all hours of operation. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, all child care staff |

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| | | members had completed the required amount of professional development training. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Equipment was observed to be in good condition. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Cleaning supplies were viewed stored out of the reach of children. |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: All floor surfaces were maintained to not cause a slipping or tripping hazard. |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: All electrical outlets were covered with safety receptacles. |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The indoor temperature of the program during the inspection was comfortable and met rule compliance. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The environment, furniture, materials, and equipment were kept in a sanitary condition at all times. |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the equipment was observed clean and in good repair. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Children were viewed washing their hands, as required by the rule. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: A notice was observed posted stating that smoking is prohibited at the program. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The form(s) used by the program for routine and/or field trips were verified to meet the requirements of the rule. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the program had complete first aid kits available as required. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The DCY 08087 "Communicable Disease Chart" was posted and was readily available to staff and parents. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The JFS 01299 "Incident/Injury Report For Child Care" forms reviewed during this inspection were complete as required. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Health Care Plans | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program had current information on the medical status and the required treatment plan for the children with health conditions. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Daily schedules were observed posted. |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, developmentally-appropriate practices were observed in the classroom. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Sufficient equipment was observed in all categories. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The Appendix A “Staff/Child Ratios, Age Grouping and Maximum Group Size” was posted in a noticeable area at the program as required. |

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| Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Staff/child ratios observed during the inspection were in compliance. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Group Size | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The group sizes observed on the day of the inspection were in compliance. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Supervision | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, child care staff were observed meeting the basic needs of all children assigned to the group. |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Supervision | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Child Care Staff Members were supervising the children and were able to intervene as needed. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, attendance records were reviewed. Child Care Staff Members were viewed recording the attendance for each child upon arrival and departure. All attendance records met the requirements of the rule and were kept with the group at all times. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Appropriate child guidance and behavior management techniques and practices were observed being used during the inspection. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-22 Meal Preparation and Nutritional Requirements | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-21 Evening and Overnight Care | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-23 Infant Daily Care | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-24 Swimming and Water Safety Requirements | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Postings | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Drills | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Documentation for completed fire, weather, and emergency/lockdown drills was verified during this inspection. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-21 Mobile Preschools | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-02 Current Information | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program had current information entered in the Ohio Statewide Licensing System. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-02 Amendments to the License | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping - Practices | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Immunization Records | Compliant | Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, 25% of the children's records were reviewed, and the immunization records were complete, as required by the rule. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Enrollment Records | Compliant | Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, 25% of the children's records were reviewed, and the enrollment records were complete, as required by the rule. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Record Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, a system to ensure children's records were kept on file for one year was being utilized. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Staff TB Screening Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: All employees had tuberculosis (TB) screenings and immunization records on file. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping - Equipment and Environment | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-20 Cribs - Safe Environment and Practices | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-20 Cribs - Placement | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-22 Specialized Diets | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training - Practices | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-23 2026 Diapering and Toilet Training - Supplies | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Administration Practices | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Documentation | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program had complete written documentation for administering medication or food supplements. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Storage | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Medication was stored according to rule. |