

STATE BOARD FOR CHILD CARE  
BUREAU OF SERVICES FOR CHILD CARE  
Division of Child and Family Services  
Department of Health and Human Services  
4126 Technology Way, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor  
Carson City, Nevada 89706

NOTICE OF WORKSHOPS TO SOLICIT COMMENTS ON PROPOSED  
REGULATION

The Division of Child and Family Services, Bureau of Services for Child Care, Board for Child Care, 4126 Technology Way, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Carson City, NV 89706, is proposing the Amendment of Regulations pertaining to Chapter 432A of the Nevada Administrative Code. 2 workshops per jurisdiction have been scheduled:

**Date: September 26, 2008 and September 27, 2008 9:00 A.M. -12:00 P.M.**

**Location: 1010 Ruby Vista Suite 101  
Elko, NV. 89801**

**Date: October 3, 9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M**

**Location: Washoe County Health Department  
1001 E 9<sup>th</sup> St. Conference Room A  
Reno NV. 89512**

**Date: October 4, 2008, 9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M**

**Location: 1664 N. Virginia St.  
School of Medicine, Bld. 121, Pennington-RM. 16  
Reno, NV. 89557**

**Date: October 17, 2008, 1:00 P.M. -4:00 P.M.**

**October 18, 2008, 9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.**

**Location: Grant Sawyer Building  
555 E. Washington Avenue  
Room 4401  
Las Vegas, NV. 89101**

The purpose of the workshops is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topics addressed in the proposed regulations:

**LCB Document File Number R032-07**

- ❖ Defining early care and education and early care and education program;
- ❖ Applying with the Nevada Registry, transition period;
- ❖ Defining emergency substitute care;
- ❖ Defining assistant teacher;
- ❖ Training to be approved and evidence of each training in each personnel file of each employee;
- ❖ Defining wading activity;
- ❖ Requiring child-staff ratios for swimming and wading activities;
- ❖ Defining caregiver and changing caretaker to caregiver;

- ❖ Requiring specific room temperatures, no electrical apparatus near water sources, protecting children from heating units, prevent certain wild and dangerous animals, restrict storage of weapons, require immunization and care of household pets, and provide shade area;
- ❖ Requiring a director for accommodation facilities and clarifying requirements for director;
- ❖ Director Qualifications, grandfather clause and transition period;
- ❖ Clarifying the requirements for orientation and redefining volunteer is a person who works 15 hours a week;
- ❖ Defining initial training;
- ❖ Including infant/toddler director qualification under center director qualifications;
- ❖ Defining orientation;
- ❖ Requiring at least one staff member obtain CPR training for every building, on field trips, while transporting children rather than all or each person employed in a child care facility, and recognize other CPR training programs;
- ❖ Clarifying initial training requirements by requiring specific number of hours of training in specific areas;
- ❖ Requiring all caregivers complete training for the recognition of signs and symptoms of illness and first aid;
- ❖ Clarifying 15 hours of continuing professional development;
- ❖ Changing “agency designated by the Director of the Department” to The Nevada Registry and clarify volunteers or staff members under 18 years of age may not be left alone or provide direct care to children;
- ❖ Clarifying storage of medications that provide care for ill children;
- ❖ Requiring caregiver prepare, serve and store snacks and specifying number of snacks and meals based upon number of hours child is in facility;
- ❖ Defining supervision of children;
- ❖ Defining staff member;
- ❖ Clarify insurance coverage requirements, child-staff ratios when transporting children, maintaining logs in vehicles, and conducting physical inspection of vehicles;
- ❖ Defining ratio;
- ❖ Defining group and group size;
- ❖ Defining defined space;
- ❖ Defining age group categories;
- ❖ Revising child-staff ratios to include group size and mixed age ratios;
- ❖ Revising child-staff ratios for family and group homes;

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- ❖ Including and defining what is developmentally appropriate within child care center definition;
- ❖ Defining early care and education;
- ❖ Defining educational, shelter child care and residential child care institutions;
- ❖ Defining extended care accommodation facility;
- ❖ Defining special event care;
- ❖ Defining The Nevada Registry;
- ❖ Defining substitute care;
- ❖ Providing requirements for weapons to be made inoperable and inaccessible;
- ❖ Providing requirements for pet immunizations;
- ❖ Providing requirements for special event facilities;
- ❖ Providing requirements for extended care accommodation facilities;
- ❖ Revising child-staff ratios for child care institutions to include requirements for both day night hours for all three types of institutions (shelter care, educational and residential);
- ❖ Considering exemption of certain facilities from licensing requirements;

- ❖ Defining student intern;
- ❖ Clarifying definition of a director;
- ❖ Clarifying definition of nursery for infants and toddlers;
- ❖ Clarifying inspections completed by licensing agency other than mandatory two visits per year requirement;
- ❖ Requiring partial investigation on applicants/employees who are 16 years of age but less than 18 years of age;
- ❖ Requiring partial investigation on volunteers and all applicants/employees every two years;
- ❖ Defining a volunteer
- ❖ Requiring requirements for staff who have herpetic gingivostomatitis, cold sore;
- ❖ Allowing facilities licensed by the military to also hold a license from another child care licensing agencies;
- ❖ Clarifying current license must be posted in a public place in facility;
- ❖ Requiring late fees for late reapplications;
- ❖ Requiring requirements for emergency evacuation plans;
- ❖ Child-staff ratios when transporting children, maintaining logs in vehicles;
- ❖ Requiring back-up for director when not available in facility, maintaining organized files for each employee;
- ❖ Prohibiting smoking and chewing tobacco;
- ❖ Providing guidelines on preparing bottles and sanitizing warming pots;
- ❖ Clarifying requirements for disposing of diapers and disinfecting utility sink for cleaning potty chair;
- ❖ Clarifying hand washing and diapering requirements for facilities that provide care for ill children;
- ❖ Requiring staff wash hands after giving medications and cleaning or handling garbage and requiring children wash hands after changing of diaper, playing in water and sandboxes;
- ❖ Clarifying professional carpet cleaning may not be required if facility cleans own carpets;
- ❖ Requiring adequate supply of toys in good condition and repairing or replacing broken/missing parts on toys;
- ❖ Clarifying proper supervision requirements during nap times, placing infants under 12 months on back for sleep, prohibiting pillows, and soft surfaces for infant sleeping equipment;
- ❖ Requiring written policy on daily chores and merit system and procedures for restraints/isolation for institutional care;
- ❖ Preschool definition deleted;

**\*Members of the public may make oral comments at the meetings. Those who do wish to make oral comments to be prepared to provide a summary of their comments and provide written documentation for specific changes they would like made to the Proposed Regulations. Persons are welcome to also submit written testimony or documentary evidence to:**

**The Bureau of Services for Child Care  
4126 Technology Way, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Carson City, NV. 89706**

The proposed regulations may be viewed and printed at the following website: [http://www.dafs.state.nv.us/DCFS\\_ChildCare.htm](http://www.dafs.state.nv.us/DCFS_ChildCare.htm) Copies of the proposed regulation will also be mailed to members of the public upon request, by contacting the Bureau of Services for Child Care, 4126 Technology Way, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Carson City, NV. 89706, phone 775-684-4439. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary.

This Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments has been sent to all persons on the current work groups, all individuals on the agency's mailing list for administrative regulations and all providers in the State of Nevada and posted at the following locations:

Division of Child and Family Services: 711 E. Fifth St., Carson City NV 89701; 1677 Old Hot Springs Rd. Bldg. B, Carson City NV 89706; 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy. Bldg. B, Suite 300, Las Vegas NV 89119; 3920 E. Idaho St., Elko NV 89801; 145 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Battle Mountain, NV 89820; 740 Park Avenue, Ely NV 89301; 1735 Kaiser St., Fallon NV 89406; 1000 C St., Hawthorne NV 89415; 535 Western Ave., Lovelock NV 89419; 100 Frankie St., Tonopah NV 89049; 475 W. Haskell, #7, Winnemucca, NV 89446; 14 Pacific Street, Yerington NV 89447; 2280 Calvada Blvd., Suite 302, Pahrump, NV 89048.

Nevada State Library: 100 Stewart St., Carson City NV 89701

Washoe County Social Services: 350 South Center Street, Suite 200, Reno NV 89520

Clark County Social Services: 500 South Grand Central Parkway, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Las Vegas, NV 89155-1810

City of Las Vegas, Dept. of Finance and Business Services: 400 East Stewart Avenue, Las Vegas NV 89101

Carson City Health Dept., Environmental Health Services: 900 East Long Street, Carson City NV 89706

County Libraries: Battle Mountain Branch Library, 625 Broad St., Battle Mountain NV 89820; Douglas County Library, 1625 Library Lane, Minden NV 89423; Esmeralda County Library, Fourth and Crook St., Goldfield NV 89013; Eureka Branch Library, 210 South Monroe St., Eureka NV 89316; Lincoln County Library, 93 Main St., Pioche NV 89043; Storey County Library, 95 South R St., Virginia City NV 89440.

Note: Disabled members of the public who require special accommodations or assistance at the meeting are requested to notify Melissa Faul in writing at 4126 Technology Way, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Carson City, NV 89706 or by calling (775) 684-4439 no later than August 20, 2008.

A small business impact statement must be prepared. "Small Business" is defined by NRS 233B.0382 as a business conducted for profit which employs fewer than 150 full-time or part-time employees. If your business meets these criteria, it is requested that complete the enclosed questionnaire. The comments will be compiled into a small business impact statement which will be available during the public workshops. The comments for small business impact must be received no later than September 15, 2008 to be considered. If you have questions or comments, please contact the Bureau of Services for Child Care at 775-684-4463.