

plan. I reviewed this written policy. The program uses a "LEAD" approach which includes labeling the child's behavior, enveloping the child, assisting the child, and directing the child. Enveloping a child occurs by staff wrapping his/her arms around the child's chest, walking backwards to a wall, and gently sliding down the wall while holding the child until both the child and the adult are in a sitting position.

Mr. Carman and Ms. Wu talked about when the 5-year-old child leaves the classroom, he/she goes to the office. Mr. Carman and Ms. Wu reported the 5-year-old child is easily distracted in the office and is usually able to calm down within a few minutes of being in the office. Mr. Carman stated he had been working with the 5-year-old child's family to establish a contract to help deal with the child's out of control behaviors. Mr. Carman reported the child's mother wanted them to use an isolation or control room with the child. Mr. Carman stated a child care center could not do that. Mr. Carman stated the child's mother did not like the contract the LCCDC was establishing for her child. Mr. Carman reported the 5-year-old child no longer attends the program.

Margene H is a clerk typist at the LCCDC. She has worked for LCCDC for 12 years. Margene H reported being in charge of medication administration. Margene H denied giving the 5-year-old child any medication. She talked about how the child's mother didn't want anyone at the center giving her child medication. Margene H stated she does have 2 other children who take medications (which are not yellow in color). I observed the program's medication storage area which is secured (locked). All medications are labeled with the child's name and medication authorizations are being done. Margene H talked about having a "prize box" for children. I observed the "prize box". Margene H indicated it usually contains Starbursts (as it did when I observed) or gummy worms. Margene H did talk about the 5-year-old child's behaviors including that the child came to the office a lot. Margene H denied seeing staff restrain any child by the throat or choke any child (including the 5-year-old child).

Mary B is the lead teacher in the 5-year-old child's classroom (room #2). Mary B reported working at LCCDC for 5 years. denied giving any child (including the 5-year-old child) medication. Mary B stated any medication is given by persons in the administrative office. Mary B then talked about how the 5-year-old child's medication had recently changed and so did the child's behaviors. Mary B stated the 5-year-old child would regularly display explosive behavior after nap. Mary B talked about how she gives the 5-year-old child 3 warnings, and if he/she could not calm down, she then leads the 5-year-old child to the LCCDC office. Mary B stated she was not comfortable trying to physically assist the child in calming down so she would take him/her to the office. Mary B denied restraining any child by the neck or choking any child. Mary B denied seeing any staff restrain a child by the neck or choke a child (including the 5-year-old child). Mary B reported having a "prize box" with non-edible treats including temporary tattoos, stickers, small toys, and erases. I observed the "prize box" which consists of small items in a plastic container.

Special Notes and Action Required:

No written response to the above report is requested.

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Date:

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