

that this had happened to him/her. Ms. Varo and Mr. Jones denied that any other staff employed at the program reported to them that the child told them this had happened to him/her. Ms. Varo and Mr. Jones also denied that the other two children and/or any other child attending the program had reported witnessing the alleged incident or having been involved in any such incident.

Ms. Varo talked about how the child who alleged this incident has been known to tell "tales" and is on a behavioral chart at school. Ms. Varo then talked about a recent incident in which child (who reported this alleged incident) was observed putting his/her hand all the way up his/her leg into his/her private area on 6/6/2014. Ms. Varo talked about how when the child did this, he/she looked around to see if his/her peers were going to react. Ms. Varo stated she immediately told the child to stop and the child did so. Ms. Varo described the behavior as "very suggestive" in nature.

While at Five Seasons - Coolidge, school-age children were observed arriving for the afternoon program afterschool. Children were encouraged to hand wash and eat snack (breadstick, cheese sauce, and 100% fruit juice). During this time, Mr. Jones talked with the children about the afternoon's programming events which was going to include much free play outdoors. A transition from snack to large gross motor play outdoors then occurred. Staff positioned themselves in various areas (by the climbing equipment, near the picnic tables, near the ball field, near the door leading from the school onto the playground, etc.) of the outdoor playground. Staff were observed to be actively engaged in activities with the children and actively supervising. There was a group of 3 children (not any of the children involved in the alleged incident) playing a game similar to dodge ball on an area of black top. One child was overheard asking another child to throw the ball and "hit my privates". Staff immediately intervened and provided positive redirection (including finding another game to play). Since the playground is large, staff were observed using walkie-talkies in order to communicate with one another.

Special Notes and Action Required:

Based upon the above, no written response to this report is requested.

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Consultant's Signature:



Date:

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