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Residential Child Care Licensing Overview

The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services is granted its authority to regulate child care facilities and child placing agencies by the Texas Legislature in Chapter 42 of the Texas Human Resources Code.

The purpose of regulation is to protect a group or class of children by establishing and enforcing statewide minimum standards.

Total Average Filled Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Staff

Caseworkers	124.4
Supervisors	23.8
Other Staff	28.8
Total RCCL Staff	177.0

Worker Demographics

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Turnover Rate	8.5%
Agency Tenure:	
Less Than 1 Year	5.7%
1 - 3 Years	18.9%
Greater than 3 Years	75.4%
Entry Salary (Inv)	\$36,355.68
Entry Salary (Non-Inv)	\$32,610.96
Average Age	39.5
Race/Ethnicity:	
African-American	36.1%
Anglo	36.9%
Hispanic	24.6%
Other	2.5%
Supervisor Demographics	
Turnover Rate	4.2%
Agency Tenure:	
Less Than 1 Year	0.0%
1 - 3 Years	4.5%
Greater than 3 Years	95.5%
Entry Salary	\$43,672.92
Average Age	39.8
Race/Ethnicity:	
African-American	50.0%
Anglo	18.2%
Hispanic	27.3%
Other	4.5%

RCCL Expenditures

Application/Permit Issuance

- Orientation
- Inspection
- Background Check
- Technical Assistance
- Fees
- Initial Permit
- Non-expiring Permit

Monitoring/Investigation

Routine Action

Monitoring

- Assess Risk
- Annual Unannounced Inspections
- Biennial Background Checks
- Random Sampling of CPA Foster Homes
 Technical assistance

Investigation

Assess Risk

Complaint

Based Action

- Abuse, Neglect, or exploitation
- Minimum Standards violations, including serious incidents



Due Process

Enforcement / Remedial Action

- Document Inspection
- Share results with facility and the public via CLASS database
- Require correction to reduce risk
- Verify compliance
- Increase monitoring frequency as necessary

Types of Remedial Action

- Corrective Action
- Probation/Evaluation
- Fines/Penalties
- Denials
- SuspensionRevocation

Due Process

Note: The chart is for reference only and does not necessarily represent the flow of a case.

Statistics FY 2011

24-Hour Care Facilities	10,774
Capacity of Facilities	42,766
Abuse/Neglect Investigations	2,065
Non-Abuse/Neglect Investigations	2,774
Inspections	11,577
Adverse Actions	2

Legal Responsibility for Child-Care Licensing

Day Care and Residential Care: Statutory References Social Security Act Human Resources Code, Chapters 40, 42, and 43 Texas Family Code, Title 5 Texas Government Code Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 249 Texas Administrative Code, Title 40

Major Provisions:

- Develop minimum standards to promote the health, safety, and well being of children in out-ofhome care.
- Inspect child-care operations to ensure they maintain compliance with minimum standards.
- Investigate allegations of abuse/neglect, investigate violations of standards or the law and ensure appropriate enforcement actions are taken.
- Conduct criminal background checks and DFPS
 Central Registry checks on all adult staff or
 caregivers, other adults and youth ages 14 to 18
 who will be in regular or frequent contact with
 children in child-care operations.
- Take corrective and adverse actions when necessary.
- Offer consultation to potential applicants and permit holders about meeting and maintaining compliance with Licensing standards.
- Educate the general public about choosing regulated child-care and inform them of the childcare options in Texas through media campaigns and by maintaining an online database of child-care providers, including information regarding each operation's compliance history.
- Enforce regulatory requirements for all child-care providers, including illegally operating child-care providers.
- Conduct inspections of a random sample of agency foster homes.
- Conduct annual enforcement team conferences to thoroughly review operations.

Other Programmatic Information: Challenges

- Consistently enforcing adherence to minimum standards across the state.
- Developing cooperative, professional, and effective relationships with operations resulting in increased compliance and stronger protection for children.
- Providing technical assistance to all child care operations, especially focusing on those struggling to maintain compliance with standards.
- Providing thorough, efficient and timely background check results to over a quarter of a million people each year seeking to work in child care, provide foster care or adopt a child.
- Maximizing technology resources to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of regulatory practices and allow licensing staff to become an increasingly mobile workforce.
- Creating standards that protect the health and safety of children in care without impacting the affordability and availability of that care.

Fiscal Year 2004 and 2011 Pre- and Post-Reform Statistics by Region (RCCL)

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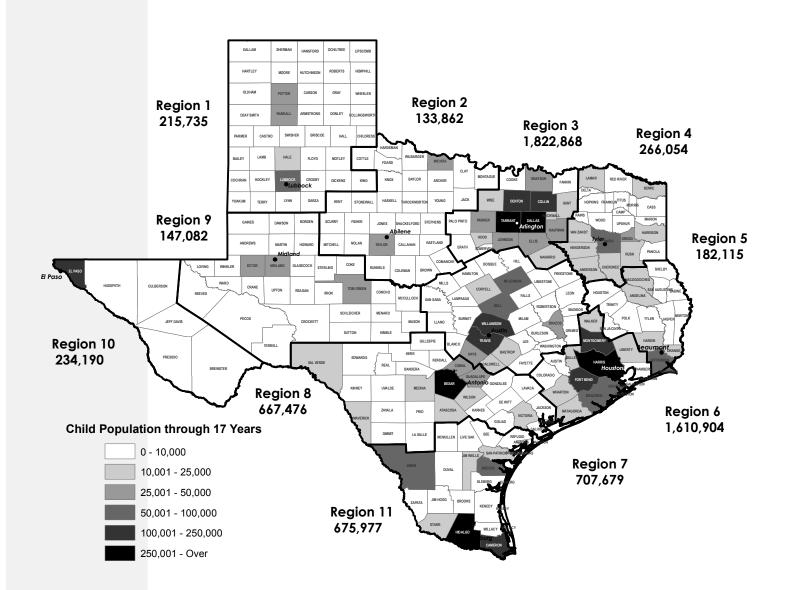
Note: The State Total for Inspections and Investigations includes those where the Region was Unknown and/or Out of State.

Note: The State Total for Inspections and Investigations does not include Illegal Operations.

^{*} RCCL workers report to a state office division and are not regionally allocated.

Texas Child Population Ages Birth through 17 Years Fiscal Year 2011

State Total: 6,663,942



Population Data Source: Texas State Data Center, University of Texas (San Antonio). Based on Census 2000 data.

Residential Child Care Licensing Operations* in Texas as of August 31

Year	Child Placing Agencies (CPA)**	Homes Verified by CPAs	General Residential Operations	Residential Treatment Centers	Independent Foster Family and Group Homes	Maternity Homes	Total Licensed Residential
2007	332	9,438	140	87	15	16	10,028
2008	331	9,518	144	90	10	13	10,106
2009	334	9,761	150	89	14	13	10,361
2010	341	9,731	154	79	7	10	10,322
2011	350	10,167	160	85	4	8	10,774

^{*} Counts do not include Applicants

Residential Child Care Licensing Operations in Texas as of August 31

	20	10	2011		
Child Placing Agencies*	Count	Capacity	Count	Capacit	
Main Offices	200	NA	205	N.	
Branch Offices**	141	NA	145	N.	
Subtotal	341	NA	350	N.	
Homes Verified by Child Placing Agencies	Count	Capacity	Count	Capacit	
Agency Foster Homes ***	6,741	22,632	7,138	22,39	
Agency Group Homes ***	436	3,894	429	3,78	
CPS Foster Family Homes	1,732	5,157	1,822	5,30	
CPS Foster Group Homes	22	134	20	11	
CPS Adoptive Homes	800	N/A	758	N/	
Subtotal	9,731	31,817	10,167	31,58	
Licensed Residential Operations	Count	Capacity	Count	Capaci	
General Residential Operations	154	7,050	160	7,25	
Residential Treatment Centers	79	3,630	85	3,74	
Independent Foster Homes	1	6	1		
Independent Foster Group Homes	6	65	3	3	
Maternity Homes	10	154	8	13	
Subtotal	250	10,905	257	11,17	
Total Residential Child Care Licensing Operations	10,322	42,722	10,774	42,76	

^{*} Includes 11 DFPS Regional Child Placing Agencies

^{**} Counts include Branch Offices

^{**} Branch Offices operate under the license authority of the main office.

^{***} Adoptive only homes are not included in the number of private agency homes.

Residential Child Care Licensing Operations Regulated by Fiscal Year

Child Placing Agencies

	Me	ain	Bra	nch		
Region	Off	ices	Offi	ices	Total	CPAs
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
1 Lubbock	10	9	11	11	21	20
2 Abilene	6	7	13	13	19	20
3 Arlington	63	64	21	21	84	85
4 Tyler	6	6	9	7	15	13
5 Beaumont	4	5	6	6	10	11
6 Houston	36	38	19	20	55	58
7 Austin	33	34	19	20	52	54
8 San Antonio	30	30	15	19	45	49
9 Midland	3	4	4	4	7	8
10 El Paso	4	3	5	5	9	8
11 Edinburg	5	5	19	19	24	24
Unknown/Out Of State	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	200	205	141	145	341	350

Homes Verified by Child Placing Agencies

Region _	Age Foster I	Homes	<u> </u>	Homes	CPS Foster Homes		
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
1 Lubbock	296	304	11	12	150	148	
2 Abilene	177	203	20	18	90	95	
3 Arlington	1,684	1,884	117	102	373	400	
4 Tyler	300	274	15	17	112	110	
5 Beaumont	172	176	19	24	125	134	
6 Houston	1,416	1,549	58	64	345	340	
7 Austin	998	1,026	57	51	166	201	
8 San Antonio	1,006	1,016	65	68	172	141	
9 Midland	108	124	13	11	56	77	
10 El Paso	152	146	9	9	42	43	
11 Edinburg	431	435	52	53	68	82	
Unknown/Out Of State	1	1	0	0	33	51	
Total	6,741	7,138	436	429	1,732	1,822	

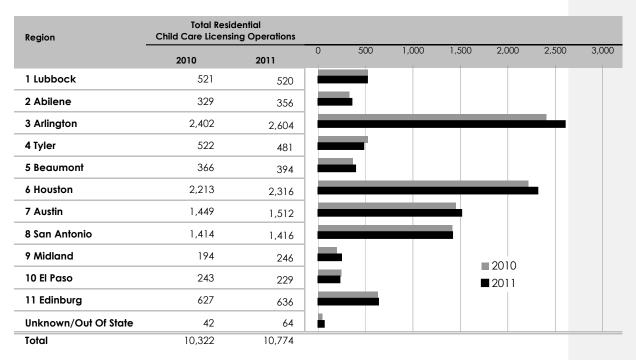
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	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
1 Lubbock	3	2	25	18	485	484	
2 Abilene	0	0	15	13	302	329	
3 Arlington	4	2	109	102	2,287	2,490	
4 Tyler	0	0	69	55	496	456	
5 Beaumont	0	0	33	41	349	375	
6 Houston	6	6	262	224	2,087	2,183	
7 Austin	2	2	136	138	1,359	1,418	
8 San Antonio	5	6	77	91	1,325	1,322	
9 Midland	1	1	5	21	183	234	
10 El Paso	0	0	25	17	228	215	
11 Edinburg	1	1	36	26	588	597	
Unknown/Out Of State	0	0	8	12	42	64	
Total	22	20	800	758	9,731	10,167	

Residential Child Care Licensing Operations Regulated by Fiscal Year

Licensed Residential Operations

Region	Gener Residen Operati	ntial	Resider Treatment (Independent Foster Family Homes		
_	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
1 Lubbock	12	12	2	3	0	0	
2 Abilene	6	6	1	1	0	0	
3 Arlington	22	21	7	7	0	0	
4 Tyler	6	6	4	4	0	0	
5 Beaumont	5	6	2	2	0	0	
6 Houston	28	32	36	39	0	0	
7 Austin	23	24	13	14	0	0	
8 San Antonio	30	30	12	13	1	1	
9 Midland	4	4	0	0	0	0	
10 El Paso	5	5	1	1	0	0	
11 Edinburg	13	14	1	1	0	0	
Unknown/Out Of State	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	154	160	79	85	1	1	

Region	Indepen Foster Gi Home	roup	Maternity H	Homes	Subtotal - Licensed Residential Operations		
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
1 Lubbock	0	0	1	1	15	16	
2 Abilene	0	0	1	0	8	7	
3 Arlington	0	0	2	1	31	29	
4 Tyler	0	0	1	2	11	12	
5 Beaumont	0	0	0	0	7	8	
6 Houston	6	3	1	1	71	75	
7 Austin	0	0	2	2	38	40	
8 San Antonio	0	0	1	1	44	45	
9 Midland	0	0	0	0	4	4	
10 El Paso	0	0	0	0	6	6	
11 Edinburg	0	0	1	0	15	15	
Unknown/Out Of State	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	6	3	10	8	250	257	

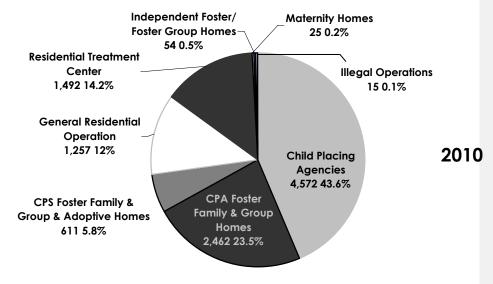


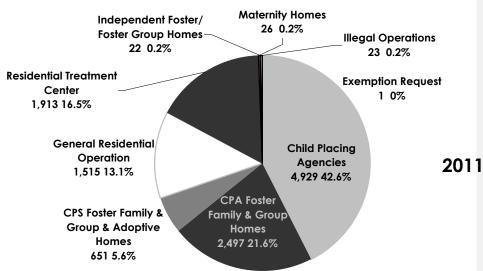
Licensing of Residential Child Care Operations by Region Fiscal Year 2011

Region	Residential Applications Accepted	Residential Initial Permits Issued (New)	0	5	10	15	20
1 Lubbock	2	2				1	
2 Abilene	1	1					
3 Arlington	13	7				•	
4 Tyler	1	1			 	 	
5 Beaumont	3	2		•	 		
6 Houston	16	16					
7 Austin	5	7			I I		
8 San Antonio	7	8			Residential Applications		
9 Midland	1	1				epted	
10 El Paso	0	0			Residential Initial Permits Issued (New)		
11 Edinburg	1	1		i i			
State Total	50	46					

Note: Does not include homes verified by CPA's. Includes Child Placing Agencies, General Residential Operations (including Residential Treatment Centers a service type of the General Residential Operations), Independent Foster Group Homes, and Independent Foster Family Homes.

Inspections in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations





Facility Type	2010	2011
Child Placing Agencies	4,572	4,929
CPA Foster Family & Group Homes	2,462	2,497
CPS Foster Family & Group & Adoptive Homes	611	651
General Residential Operation	1,257	1,515
Residential Treatment Center	1,492	1,913
Maternity Homes	25	26
Independent Foster/ Foster Group Homes	54	22
Illegal Operations	15	23
Exemption Request	0	1
Total	10,488	11,577

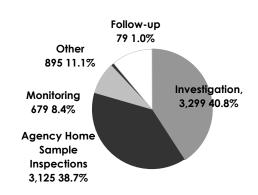
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Inspections in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations by Type of Inspection Fiscal Year 2011

Total Inspections: 11,577

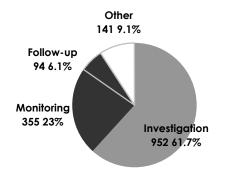
Child Placing Agencies

Inspection Type	Number
Investigation	3,299
Agency Home Sample Inspections	3,125
Monitoring	679
Follow-up	79
Other	895
Total	8,077



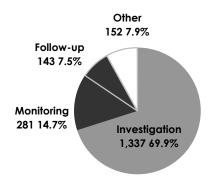
General Residential Operations*

Inspection Type	Number
Investigation	952
Monitoring	355
Follow-up	94
Other	141
Total	1,542



Residential Treatment Centers

Inspection Type	Number
Investigation	1,337
Monitoring	281
Follow-up	143
Other	152
Total	1,913



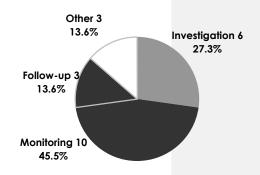
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*Includes Maternity Home and Exemption Request Facility Types

Inspections in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations by Type of Inspection Fiscal Year 2011

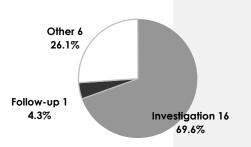
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Investigation	6
Monitoring	10
Follow-up	3
Other	3
Total	22



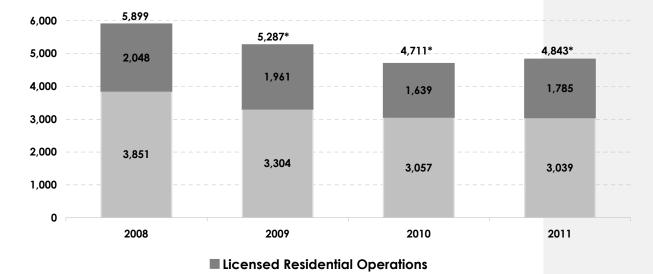
Illegal Operations

Inspection Type	Number
Investigation	16
Monitoring	0
Follow-up	1
Other	6
Total	23



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Investigations in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations



* Totals include investigations of Illegal Operations and Exemption Requests

■ Child Placing Agencies (CPA)**

^{*}Includes Maternity Home and Exemption Request Facility Types

^{**} Includes homes regulated by Child Placing Agencies

Investigations in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations Fiscal Year 2011

Region	Child Placing Agencies	Licensed Residential Operations	Exemption Requests	Illegal Operations	Total Investigations
1 Lubbock	145	98	0	0	243
2 Abilene	143	20	1	0	164
3 Arlington	750	134	0	5	889
4 Tyler	119	97	0	0	216
5 Beaumont	88	37	0	1	126
6 Houston	631	551	0	3	1,185
7 Austin	303	308	0	1	612
8 San Antonio	483	423	0	0	906
9 Midland	20	17	0	0	37
10 El Paso	68	8	0	1	77
11 Edinburg	289	92	0	0	381
Other/Unknown	0	0	0	7	7
Total	3,039	1,785	1	18	4,843

Investigations in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations Fiscal Year 2011

	Total Number		Number of Abuse/Neglect Investigations			Number of Non Abuse/Neglect Investigations	
Operation Type	Operations as of 8/31/11	Investigations [–]	Total	Valid	Percent Validated	Total	Investigations with a Deficiency Cited
Residential Child Care Licensing Operatio	ns						
Child Placing Agencies (CPA)*	350	3,039	1,331	46	3.5%	1,723	527
General Residential Operations	160	767	265	4	1.5%	496	141
Residential Treatment Centers	85	1,012	468	19	4.1%	534	142
Independent Foster/ Foster Group Homes	4	5	1	0	0.0%	4	1
Maternity Homes	8	1	0	0	0.0%	1	1
Subtotal	607	4,824	2,065	69	3.3%	2,758	812
Unlicensed Operations							
Exemption Requests	3	1	0	0	0.0%	0	0
Illegal Operations	27	18	0	0	0.0%	16	4
Subtotal	30	19	0	0	0.0%	16	4
Total	637	4,843	2,065	69	3.3%	2,774	816

^{*} Includes CPA branch offices

Note: The number of Investigations and the number of Non Abuse/Neglect Investigations are based on the date that the worker completed the investigation. The number of Abuse/Neglect Investigations uses the date that the Investigation stage closed. Therefore, the sum of Abuse/Neglect Investigations and Non Abuse/Neglect Investigations will not match the total Investigations.

Adverse and Corrective Actions in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations by Region Fiscal Year 2011

Adverse Actions in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations by Region Fiscal Year 2011

Region	Permits Denied	Permits Revoked	Permits Suspended	Total Adverse Actions
1 Lubbock	0	0	0	0
2 Abilene	0	0	0	0
3 Arlington	1	0	0	1
4 Tyler	0	0	0	0
5 Beaumont	0	0	0	0
6 Houston	0	0	0	0
7 Austin	0	0	0	0
8 San Antonio	0	0	1	1
9 Midland	0	0	0	0
10 El Paso	0	0	0	0
11 Edinburg	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0
State Total	1	0	1	2

Corrective Actions in Residential Child Care Licensing Operations by Region Fiscal Year 2011

Region	Evaluation	Probation	Total Corrective Actions
1 Lubbock	0	0	0
2 Abilene	0	0	0
3 Arlington	2	0	2
4 Tyler	0	0	0
5 Beaumont	1	0	1
6 Houston	8	3	11
7 Austin	0	0	0
8 San Antonio	1	0	1
9 Midland	0	0	0
10 El Paso	0	0	0
11 Edinburg	1	0	1
Unknown	0	0	0
State Total	13	3	16

Note: Adverse actions are determined by the date the facility was sent the letter of intent. Finalizing adverse action through due process is lengthy. Voluntary Suspensions are not counted in the number of suspensions. Corrective actions begin after the due process is completed.

Background Checks for Residential Child Care Licensing Operations Fiscal Year 2011

Residential Child Care Licensing Operations	Central Registry Checks	DPS Checks	FBI Checks *
CPAs, CPA Foster Agency Homes	45,644	45,656	17,602
General Residential Operations	11,758	11,758	752
Independent Foster/ Group Homes	190	190	16
Residential Treatment Centers	8,660	8,660	383
Maternity Homes	503	503	22
Total	66,755	66,767	18,775

^{*} Represents the number of FBI checks that were requested, not the number that were actually processed.

Note: Does not include background checks conducted on individuals in illegal child-care operations or CPS Foster and CPS Adoptive homes. Review the definition section for details on who is required to have Central Registry, DPS and FBI checks.

Child Care Administrator Credential Exam Fiscal Year 2011

Licensed Child Care Administrators (LCCA)	46	Passed
	3	Failed
	49	Total Exams
Licensed Child Placing Agency Administrators (LCPA)	59	Passed
	10	Failed
	69	Total Exams

Total number of exams for both licenses for FY11 was 118.

On 8/31/2011 there were:

	Active	Inactive	Total
LCCA	767	181	948
LCPA	410	22	432
Total			1,380

State's Top 10 Standards Deficiencies for Residential Child Care Licensing Operations

Fiscal Year 2009

Rank	Standard Rule*	Description**	Deficiencies	Percent of Total Deficiencies
1	749.607(1)	Employee and caregiver responsibilities-Competency, prudent judgment, self-control in presence of children and when performing assigned tasks	167	2.4
2	745.625(a)(7)	Background checks submitted-every 24 months after first submitted	150	2.1
3	748.507(1)	Employee general responsibilities-Demonstrate competency, prudent judgment, self-control in presence of children and when performing assigned tasks	110	1.6
4	748.3301 (a)	Physical Site-Buildings must be structurally sound, clean, and in good repair. Paints must be lead- free	105	1.5
5	749.1953(a)	Corporal Punishment-May not use/threaten corporal punishment, such as hitting/spanking, forced exercise, holding physical position, unproductive work.	88	1.2
6	748.685(a)(4)	Caregiver responsibility - providing the level of supervision necessary to ensure each child's safety and well-being	80	1.1
7	749.2593(a)(3)	Supervision-The caregiver is responsible for ensuring each child's safety and well being, including auditory and/or visual awareness of the child	73	1
8	745.615(a)(8)	Required background check - Applicants for a child-care administrator's license	72	1
9	749.3041(3)	Physical Environment-Foster home must ensure that exits in living areas are not blocked by furniture	62	0.9
10	748.3391 (a)	Bathrooms-Must be maintained in good repair & kept clean	60	0.9

Fiscal Year 2010

Rank	Standard Rule*	Description**	Deficiencies	Percent of Total Deficiencies
1	749.607(1)	Employee and caregiver responsibilities-Competency, prudent judgment, self-control in presence of children and when performing assigned tasks	132	2.3
2	749.1953(a)	Corporal Punishment-May not use/threaten corporal punishment, such as hitting/spanking, forced exercise, holding physical position, unproductive work.	109	1.9
3	745.625(a)(7)	Background checks submitted-every 24 months after first submitted	86	1.5
4	748.507(1)	Employee general responsibilities-Demonstrate competency, prudent judgment, self-control in presence of children and when performing assigned tasks		1.3
5	748.685(a)(4)	Caregiver responsibility - providing the level of supervision necessary to ensure each child's safety and well-being	58	1
6	745.615(a)(8)	Required background check - Applicants for a child-care administrator's license	57	1
7	749.2593(a)(3)	Supervision-The caregiver is responsible for ensuring each child's safety and well being, including auditory and/or visual awareness of the child	55	1
8	748.3301 (a)	Physical Site-Buildings must be structurally sound, clean, and in good repair. Paints must be lead- free	51	0.9
9	749.1521(1)	Medication Storage-Store medication in a locked container	48	0.8
10	749.1541(a)	Medication Record-Maintain cumulative record of prescription medications dispensed to child, include nonprescription meds for child under five yrs old	47	0.8

Fiscal Year 2011

Rank	Standard Rule*	Description	Deficiencies	Percent of Total Deficiencies	
1	749.1953(a)	Corporal Punishment-May not use/threaten corporal punishment, such as hitting/spanking, forced exercise, holding physical position, unproductive work.	132	2.3	
2	745.625(7)	Background checks submitted - Every 24 months after each person's background check was first submitted			
3	749.607(1)	Employee and caregiver responsibilities-Competency, prudent judgment, self-control in presence of children and when performing assigned tasks	78	1.3	
4	745.615(a)(7)	Required background checks - Persons 14 years or older, other than clients, who will regularly or frequently be present while children are in care		1.3	
5	748.685(a)(4)	Caregiver responsibility - providing the level of supervision necessary to ensure each child's safety and well-being		1.2	
6	749.1521(1)	Medication Storage-Store medication in a locked container	60	1	
7	748.3301 (a)	Physical Site-Buildings must be structurally sound, clean, and in good repair. Paints must be lead- free		1	
8	748.507(1)	Employee general responsibilities-Demonstrate competency, prudent judgment, self-control in presence of children and when performing assigned tasks	53	0.9	
9	748.3301 (i)	Physical Site-Equipment and furniture must be safe for children and must be kept clean and in good repair	50	0.9	
10	749.2593(a)(3)	Supervision-The caregiver is responsible for ensuring each child's safety and well being, including auditory and/or visual awareness of the child	49	0.8	

 $^{*\} Only\ includes\ deficiencies\ where\ administrative\ review\ was\ upheld\ or\ waived.$

Note: Does not include assessment deficiencies.

^{**}As described in FY 2011