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AMENDED REPORT

On the second page of the report the first three sentences were changed in-regards to the description of the outdoor play area as follows:

There is a play area between two trees along the side of the outdoor play area which have a commercially purchased "children's ninja set" secured to each tree and climbing items strung along the children's ninja set. There is a ladder with a top rung which is four feet two inches high. Most of the other items hanging from the children's ninja set stop approximately an inch below the top rung of the ladder.

August 12, 2021

Theresa Cook
2532 S. Portage Rd
Jackson, MI 49201

RE: License #: DG380391008
Cook's Little Sprouts
2532 S. Portage Rd
Jackson, MI 49201

Dear Ms. Cook:

This letter is a follow-up to the Department's findings regarding the interim inspection conducted at your home on 08/04/2021. The purpose of this inspection was to determine compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules for Family and Group Child Care Homes.

The violations that were found are:

R 400.1916 Bedding and sleeping equipment.

(5) Play yard mattresses must be purchased from the manufacturer of the play yard and be manufactured after February 19, 2014. Play yards must meet the Consumer Product Safety Commission safety standards for play yards, 16 CFR part 1221 (2019). Licensees shall comply with this subrule by December 31, 2019. These standards are available at <http://www.cpsc.gov>. They are also available for inspection and

distribution at the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Community and Health Systems, Child Care Licensing Division, 611 W Ottawa, Lansing, MI 48933-1070.

There was a child sleeping in a play yard that had an extra foam mattress inserted over the manufacturer issued mattress. Ms. Cook was informed that licensed providers are expected to follow the instruction manual and safety standards for all equipment.

R 400.1920 Outdoor play area and equipment.

(5) When swings, climbers, slides, and other similar play equipment with a designated play surface above 30 inches are used, they must:

(a) Not be placed over concrete, asphalt, or a similar surface, such as hard-packed dirt or grass.

There is a play area between two trees along the side of the outdoor play area which have a commercially purchased “children’s ninja set” secured to each tree and climbing items strung along the children’s ninja set. There is a ladder with a top rung which is four feet two inches high. Most of the other items hanging from the children’s ninja set stop approximately an inch below the top rung of the ladder. There is no ground cover under the items, just hard packed dirt and grass. Ms. Cook stated when the children hang the times become lower. Technical assistance was given in that items that have a designated play surface above 30 inches are used there must be shock-absorbing material under the items. The surfacing materials should extend a minimum of six feet from the perimeter of the piece of equipment to cover the entire fall zone. She was also informed that licensed providers are expected to follow the instruction manual for each piece of equipment they use in their licensed facility.

Note: For depth recommendations see the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission’s Outdoor Home Playground Safety Handbook.

R 400.1921 Water hazards; water activities.

(4) A wading pool may be used when all of the following requirements are met:

(b) It is emptied and cleaned after each play period or immediately when it becomes dirty or contaminated.

There were two wading pools full of water in the outdoor play area. Ms. Cook stated they normally empty them after every use.

R 400.1925 Comprehensive background check; fingerprinting.

- (2) An applicant or licensee shall do all of the following:
 (b) Maintain a copy of the completed and signed form(s) for each individual entered into the child care background check system under the license.

Ms. Cook did not have a completed and signed consent and disclosure statement on file for her, her assistant, or her adult household member.

R 400.1945 Emergency; plan; drill.

- (1) An applicant or licensee shall have a written emergency response plan for the care of children that must be posted in a conspicuous location within the child care home.
The plan must address the following types of emergencies:
 (d) Water emergencies, if applicable.

Ms. Cook did not have a plan for water emergencies.

The following rules were reviewed with Ms. Cook:

- R 400.1902: Applicant; licensee; requirements.
- R 400.1904b: child care assistant; requirements.
- R 400.1905: Training.
- R 400.1907: Child's record.
- R 400.1911: Care; supervision; children.
- R 400.1916: Bedding and sleeping equipment.
- R 400.1932: Home maintenance and safety.
- R 400.1934: Heating; ventilation; lighting; radon.
- R 400.1944: Smoke detectors; fire extinguishers.

Due to the violations, you must send us a corrective action plan by September 2, 2021. You can use our [corrective action plan](#) form or create your own.

If you need help writing the corrective action plan, please contact me. If you do not send a corrective action plan, you may face disciplinary action. The corrective action plan must include the following:

- How compliance with each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific time frames for each violation as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- How continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- The signature of the responsible party and a date.

Due to the infant safe sleep violation(s), all of your infant caregivers must take training on infant safe sleep. This must be included in your corrective action plan. In addition, a follow up inspection may be made to check compliance with the infant safe sleep rules.

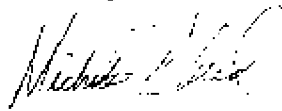
During calendar year 2020:	Total
Number of serious injuries that occurred in facility.	0
Number of deaths that occurred in the facility.	0
Number of substantiated cases of abuse and/or neglect of a child that occurred at the facility.	0

You can find a copy of this inspection letter and any associated corrective action plans on our [website](#) under [Statewide Search for Licensed Child Care Centers and Homes](#). A description of when inspection letters are completed can be found under [Overview of Licensing Reports](#).

Please contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at (517) 284-9730.

Per MCL 722.113g, this report and any related corrective action plans must be filed in your Licensing Notebook.

Kind regards,



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