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CLARIFICATION OF CHILD/ STAFF RATIOS IN CHILD CARE-**REVISED 7/20/2020**

The Governor's Executive Order of March 19, 2020, ordered that groups of people were limited to 10. This guidance was later revised to allow 15 people in a group. This message is to clarify groups in child care settings.

There is no change in group size and staffing requirements for infant and toddler rooms.

A classroom of two year olds must maintain a child staff ration of 1:6, but is still limited to 12 children and 2 staff, for a total of 12 people. If there are six 2 year olds, there must be one teacher. If there are more than six children, an additional staff person is required.

A classroom of three and four year olds may have a total of 15 people, including staff. The regulations are temporarily relaxed to allow for 1 teacher with up to 14 three and four year olds, as long as the staff person meets preschool teacher qualifications. This allows for 15 people (children and staff) in the room.

School age groups must also be limited to 15 people including a school age teacher and up to 14 children.

Please contact your licensing specialist with any questions. Thank you.