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NOTICE TO: Licensed Day Care Center Owners/Administrators
REFERENCE: Revisions to Licensing Standards for Day Care Centers
FROM: Erwin McEwen, Director 
EFFECTIVE: Immediately

The following is a summary of the significant amendments to the recently adopted **Part 407, Licensing Standards for Day Care Centers**.

In Section **407.250**, the Department now requires that day care centers make parents aware of The Missing Children Records Act mandate that they must submit a certified copy of their child's birth certificate or equivalent documentation before their child is enrolled.

In Section **407.310**, the Department now requires that centers comply with IDPH's Hearing and Vision Screening Codes and the Illinois Child Vision and Hearing Test Act.

In Section **407.340**, the Department clarified current policy for counting urinals in meeting the toilet/child ratio.

In Section **407.350**, the Department changed language regarding SIDS to comport with prevailing standards.

In **Section 407.370**, the Department added language to ensure that day care centers make parents aware of the center's pesticide policy before their children are enrolled.

A current copy of Rules 407 can be downloaded from the Department website at: www.state.il.us/dcfs.

Day care providers should direct questions to their local licensing representative.

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