

**Nevada States division of Public and Behavioral Health Child Care Regulation Review**

**Workgroup #2**

**Tiffany Alston, Chair**

**Standards and Operations NAC 432A.306-NAC 432A.326**

**Thursday October 8<sup>th</sup> 2015**

**10:00 am 12:00 pm**

## **DRAFT MINUTES**

### **Workgroup Members Present:**

Tiffany Alston

Janis Fikes-Buntjer

Andrea Doran

Dr. Sharon Kanafo

Shirley Pope

### **Child Care Licensing Representative Present:**

Yah-Ner Walker

Anna Lisa Acosta

### **Other Attendees Present:**

Jared Busker

Donna Miller

Carrie Paldi

### **Opening remarks, Introductions, and Roll Call – Tiffany Alston**

Tiffany welcomed and thanked everyone for being there and for their helpful participation.

Everyone introduced themselves.

Tiffany gave us an overview of the purpose of the workgroup. She clarified that this workgroup deliberates and makes recommendations but will not make independent changes to the regulations.

### **Appointment of primary and secondary workgroup recorders – Tiffany Alston**

Shirley Pope – primary

Andrea Doran - secondary

### **Approval of minutes from previous meeting – Tiffany Alston**

No previous meeting

### **Discussion and overview of regulation review process – Tiffany Alston**

Tiffany explained how the workgroups will review each regulation in their section to see if it is necessary and/or needs revision. She explained how to use the template and gave each participant a copy. She notified us that the review process will begin in October 2015 and will be completed in May 2016. And we will follow the open meeting law to ensure that providers, stakeholders, and the public have the opportunity to voice their opinions. Once our process is completed, the proposed changes will be submitted to Child Care Licensing where they will be reviewed and then be presented to the Child Care Advisory Council for review and discussion.

**Yah-Ner Walker** read us a memo also explaining our role in this process.

### **Review and discuss current regulations – all participants**

We began to review NAC 432A.306...

1. Every caregiver in a child care facility must:

(a) Be at least 16 years of age – This started a long conversation about the titles on the Metro work cards that say “minor” and “juvenile”. We determined it is not relevant to the regulation at hand.

(c) Be emotionally and physically qualified to carry out a [developmentally appropriate] program which places emphasis on the development of children

**Recommendation:** to add the words “developmentally appropriate”

4. A volunteer for a child care facility, regardless of his or her age, and a member of the staff of the facility who is under the age of 18 years of may not provide direct care to a child at the facility unless the care is provided under the [direct] supervision of an employee of the facility who is 18 years of age or older.

**Recommendation:** to add the word “direct”

**Recommendation:** separate the content of the sentence for “volunteer” and “staff of the facility who is under 18 years of age” to two separate sentences or two separate sections.

### **Future agenda items-Tiffany Alston**

Continue with NAC 432A.306 and 308

### **Adjournment- Tiffany Alston**

Tiffany advised the workgroup members that they cannot have outside discussions or prearranged votes coming into the workgroup meetings. She asked us to get completely familiarized with the provisions of the entire NAC section that we have been assigned to.