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CLARIFICATION OF CHILD/ STAFF RATIOS IN CHILD CARE

The Governor's Executive Order of March 19, 2020, ordered that groups of people are to be limited to 10. This guidance is to clarify groups in child care settings.

Each room in a child care center is restricted to 10 people, including children and staff. Child staff ratios must still be maintained in these groups of 10 people (not just the children).

A classroom of two year olds must maintain a child staff ration of 1:6, but is still limited to 10 people. If there are six 2 year olds, there must be one teacher. If there are more than six children, an additional staff is require. With 2 staff, the number of children is restricted to 8, for a total of 10 people.

A classroom of three and four year olds must maintain a child staff ration of 1:10, but is still limited to 10 people, meaning that there must be 1 staff person with 9 children.

Please contact your licensing specialist with any questions.