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Changes to Compliance History Calculations

Effective 4/9/09

Beginning immediately, the Division of Child Development will calculate compliance history scores differently for child care programs. There are two significant changes that are important for child care providers to know about. The first is that each visit will have a separate score that reflects the specific areas that were monitored during that visit, and the violations that were cited. Under the previous calculation method, all visits for the year were combined for a total score. Now for each visit the child care provider starts with a clean slate.

The second change is that the compliance score sheet will show compliance points earned, which are the same point values used previously, except they will be shown in the positive. For example, if four areas are monitored during a visit, and all four areas are in compliance, then the provider will earn points. Possible points earned will vary dependent upon the child care requirements that are monitored. Previously, only violations that were cited were displayed on the compliance score sheet, and the numbers were demerits reflecting points lost. To get a program's compliance history percentage, the Division will look at total points received for each individual visit, then divide that number by the total possible points a program could receive over the entire 18 month period.

The Division does not anticipate that this will have a negative impact on child care provider's compliance history percentage. During your next annual compliance visit your child care consultant will share with you a printout of your programs compliance history score under this new calculation method. If you have any concerns prior to that time you can contact your child care consultant to review your programs compliance history score.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The NC Licensed Child Care Association championed this issue heavily over the last couple of years. We brought forward our concerns that the calculation was mathematically flawed, and remained persistent until action was taken.

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