

#### **Division of Child Care & Early Childhood Education**

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### **Notice of Incident**

Date of Incident: 6/8/2022 Date Reported to DCCECE: 7/22/2022
Agency Name: Perimeter of the Ozarks Agency Number: 237  Type of Facility: PRTF  Facility License Type: Regular
Type of Incident: Maltreatment
Incident Description: Resident reported that staff member crossed boundaries with her. reported that grabbed and touched her butt. The touching happened above sclothing.
Agency's Interim Corrective Action: Facility to conduct an investigation. sent home on leave until investigation complete.
Licensing Specialist Assigned: K. Rice Licensing Supervisor Assigned: C. Vardell
Child Abuse Hotline (Only applies to maltreatment incidents) Yes
Was the Hotline Called: Was it accepted?Yes Outcome:
Assigned Investigator: N/A
Date of DCCECE's Follow-up:7/25/2022 Type of Follow-up: Email
Details from Follow-up: Specialist informed on 9/12/2022 that staff member (was placed on the Child Maltreatment Central Registry.

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## **521 Visit Compliance Report**

**Licensee:** Perimeter of the Ozarks

Licensee Address: 2466 SOUTH 48TH STREET SPRINGDALE, AR 72766

Licensing Specialist: Chelsea Vardell Person In Charge: Derek Thompson

Monitor Visit Date: 6/9/2022

Purpose of Visit: Residential Non-Standard Review

**Regulations Out of Compliance:** 

No regulations out of compliance.

#### **Regulations Needing Technical Assistance:**

No regulations needing technical assistance.

#### **Regulations Not Correctable:**

Regulation	Discussion/Observation
R103.11	Staff was allowed to work directly and unsupervised with children after the facility was notified he was ineligible to work.
R109.1.g	Staff engaged in behavior that could be viewed as sexual in nature with a resident.

#### Narrative:

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Licensing visit conducted from 12:30-14:00
Licensing Program Coordinator and Program Manager discussed the complaint received on 6/8/2022 that occurred the night of 6/6/2022. The complaint stated that a resident accused a staff, of "crossing boundaries" with her when he touched and grabbed her butt. The nursing staff was made aware of the allegation on the night it occurred, so video footage was reviewed. Video corroborated the resident's claims and staff was immediately sent home from his shift.
Licensing Program Coordinator and Program Manager reviewed the camera footage that shows staff and the resident alone on the classroom hall the night of 6/6/2022. The staff and resident sit in the floor talking for approximately 40 minutes when they stand up and hug. During the hug, you can see staff place his hand on the resident's butt at 9:21 p.m.
Further review of the event revealed that staff was as issued an ineligible to work status from the DHS regulatory unit on 3/30/2022 and this was communicated to the facility. The staff continued to work giving him direct and unsupervised contact with the residents.

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