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### Notice of Serious Incident

Case Number: 018144

Date of Incident: 12/17/2023

Date Received by DCCECE: 12/19/2023

Facility Name: Dacus RTC

Facility Number: 108

Incident Type: Dual

Report Description: [REDACTED] Insurance-Empower Private Payor-Guardian-[REDACTED] Staff: [REDACTED] During routine camera view on 12/18/2023 by the nurse (Shellie L), staff ([REDACTED]) was seen pushing and kneeling in the groin client ([REDACTED]) Client ([REDACTED]) was examined by the nurse. Bilateral testicles slightly red. No bruising or open area present. A [REDACTED] was completed and accepted. [REDACTED] referral number is [REDACTED]. Staff ([REDACTED]) was immediately terminated upon view of camera footage.

Interim Action Narrative: Staff ([REDACTED]) was immediately terminated upon view of camera footage.

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Maltreatment Narrative: During routine camera view on 12/18/2023 by the nurse (Shellie L), staff ([REDACTED]) was seen pushing and kneeling in the groin client ([REDACTED]) Client ([REDACTED]) was examined by the nurse. Bilateral testicles slightly red. No bruising or open area present. A [REDACTED] was completed and accepted. [REDACTED] referral number is [REDACTED].

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Licensing Narrative: 12/19/2023- Program Manager CV reviewed the complaint and emailed the investigator for permission to contact. 12/21/2023- Program Manager CV visited the facility and reviewed the camera footage. 1/19/2024, Program Coordinator

reached out to investigator for an update. 1/24/2024, Program Coordinator informed case was screened out.



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## 521 Visit Compliance Report

**Licensee:** Dacus RTC

**Facility Number:** 108

**Licensee Address:** 211 CHURCH STREET  
BONO AR 72146

**Licensing Specialist:** Chelsea Vardell

**Person In Charge:** Waynette Banks

**Record Visit Date:** 12/21/2023

**Home Visit Date:** 12/21/2023

**Purpose of Visit:** Complaint Visit

### Regulations Out of Compliance:

**Regulation Number:** 100.109.1.g

**Regulation Description:** Unprofessional conduct in the practice of child welfare activities shall include, but not limited to the following:

**Finding Description:** Video footage reviewed of 12/17/2023 revealed that a staff member used her knee to strike a resident in the groin.

**Action Due Date:** 2023-12-18

**Action Due Description:** The facility terminated the staff for the unprofessional conduct the same day they discovered the event had occurred.

**Comply Date:** 2023-12-18

**Sub-Regulation Level 1 Description:** Engaging in behavior that could be viewed as sexual, dangerous, exploitative, or physically harmful to children.

**Action Due Description:** The facility terminated the staff for the unprofessional conduct the same day they discovered the event had occurred.

### Regulations Needing Technical Assistance:

**Regulation Not Applicable:**

**Regulations Not Correctable:**

**Narrative:**

Program Manager visited the facility in response to complaint case 018144.

The Program Manager and DON Shellie Loggins reviewed camera footage of the gaming room at the facility for 12/17/2023 from 13:20-14:30. During the review you can see the staff member (alleged offender) escorting youth to the gaming room, then supervising youth inside the game room. The staff has the "little boys" group which is comprised of the youngest residents admitted in the program. However, the alleged victim is older and is reported to belong to the "big boys" group. It is unknown why he is with this group and staff member during this time. During the review it is seen that the resident and staff are casually talking while the younger residents play games. At one point all residents and the staff are staring at the screen with their mouths open and some of the boys begin laughing. No view of the TV is available to determine what they are looking at, however two residents that were in the room at the time reported it to be pornographic material. Further review of the video shows the alleged victim and offender with their feet propped up on a chair between them. When they stand up the resident and staff push one another, which seems to be in a playful manner, when the staff looks over her left shoulder down the hallway then approaches the resident and knees him in the groin. The resident bends over and appears to be in pain. The staff then begins to usher the other residents out of the room, but when she exits, the resident can be seen slapping the staff on the butt. The staff can be seen jumping in reaction to the slap, but does not redirect the resident, nor was any report made about this contact.

In response to the potential pornographic material being shown on the gaming system, the facility has removed the system. After review of the camera footage, the staff was terminated from employment due to her actions on 12/18/2023.

Licensing is citing the facility for the unprofessional conduct of staff (Standard 109.1.g) as she engaged in behavior that could be viewed as sexual, dangerous, exploitative, or physically harmful to children.

**Provider Comments:**

CCL Staff Signature : *Chelsea Vardell*

Date: 12/22/2023

Provider Signature : *Wayette Y. Bank, LCSW*

Date: 12/22/2023



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## **521 Visit Compliance Report**

**Licensee:** Dacus RTC

**Facility Number:** 108

**Licensee Address:** 211 CHURCH STREET  
BONO AR 72146

**Licensing Specialist:** Kendra Rice

**Person In Charge:** Waynette Banks

**Record Visit Date:** 1/25/2024

**Home Visit Date:** 1/25/2024

**Purpose of Visit:** Revisit Complaint

**Regulations Out of Compliance:**

**Regulations Needing Technical Assistance:**

**Regulation Not Applicable:**

**Regulations Not Correctable:**

**Narrative:**

No in-person licensing visit was completed on 1/25/2024.

Licensing received a complaint on 12/17/2023 for ELS Case #018144.

This complaint has been FOUNDED by Licensing.

The facility was cited on 12/21/2023 for standard 109.1.g.

**Provider Comments:**

CCL Staff Signature :

Date: 1/25/2024



Provider Signature :

Date: 1/25/2024

Waynette Y. Banke, - Program Director