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#### Notice of Serious Incident

Case Number: 029172

Date of Incident: 4/21/2025

Date Received: 4/22/2025

Facility Name: Perimeter Behavioral of Forrest City

Facility Number: 142

Incident Type: Licensing

Report Description: Resident, **Sector**, presented to Therapist with allegation that a Staff member ?touched my dick for five secs? during routine pocket checks at transition. Therapist called the **Sector**. The alleged offender was immediately removed from the Hall once the Program Director was notified. Alleged offender has since been suspended pending investigation. Camera footage was reviewed by **Sector**.

came morning of

04/22/2025 and interviewed watched the aforementioned camera footage, and interviewed alleged offender. The shared he may have had his days mixed up, nonetheless, all days mentioned were reviewed and no evidence of allegation found. Witness statements have been collected.

Interim Action Narrative:

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Licensing Narrative: 4.22.25- Specialist emailed another entity to request permission to visit. Spoke with them on the phone regarding complaint. 4.23.25- Specialist went to facility to review camera footage and conduct interviews. See inspection #086435 5/7/2025 and 5/13/2025, facility inquired if licensing had an update regarding this complaint. 5/15/2025, facility provided training documentation and inquired if staff member could return to work.

Discussed with Program Manager, staff member approved to return to work. Facility informed. 5.19.2025- The case has been closed as unfounded by licensing. 5/23/2025, case and documentation reviewed. Licensing reviewed camera footage aand completed interviews on 4/23/2025. Complaint unfounded by licensing. Approved by Program Coordinator. Case complete.



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

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# **521 Visit Compliance Report**

Licensee: Perimeter Behavioral of Forrest City

Facility Number: 142

Licensee Address: 603 KITTLE ROAD FORREST CITY AR 72335

Licensing Specialist: Andrea Adamson

Person In Charge: Immanuel Morris

Record Visit Date: 4/23/2025

Home Visit Date: 4/23/2025

Purpose of Visit: Complaint Visit

**Regulations Out of Compliance:** 

**Regulations Needing Technical Assistance:** 

**Regulation Not Applicable:** 

**Regulations Not Correctable:** 

# Narrative:

Licensing Specialist arrived at 11:30 AM to review camera footage regarding complaint case #029175.

Current census: 52

## The camera footage reviewed as below:

Location:Outside on the basketball court under awning during line up Time:Sunday at 15:29 to 15:30 Ratio 3:11

**15:29:14**-staff is seen lining up "little boys" and "big boys" to split them off from outdoor recreational time to go back to their respective halls. The group uninvolved in the incident leave to go back inside.

15:29:25-another staff comes into camera view from standing against the wall making the group out their pockets, ratio 2:6. Resident 1 is seen amongst the group standing in line ready for pocket inspection.

Staff 1 is seen walking around the residents as they are inside outing their pockets. As Staff 1 walks past the residents, the staff members are seen looking at the pockets of the residents including Resident 1. Staff 1 is seen with multiple items in hands.

Licensing Specialist noticed no physical contact between Resident 1 and Staff 1. There was no noticeable reaction from either Staff 1, Staff 2 or from Resident 1 or surrounding residents.

# An interview was conducted with Resident 1 and was as follows:

Resident 1 made it very clear that he did not want to speak with Licensing Specialist and that he was only interested in speaking with their caseworker. Resident 1 stated that he had only been at the facility for four months and that all Staff 1 did was search their pockets. Resident 1 shut down quickly and did not want to talk about it stating, "it doesn't matter if it's true or not, no one would believe him and that he wouldn't just make something like this up." Resident 1 stated that something similar happened to his brother at a different placement and that the brother got to leave the placement. Resident 1 stated multiple times he would like to go back to the state where he was from. Resident 1 asked if he would go to jail if te made continuous sexual abuse allegations. Resident 1 also asked if continual reports of sexual abuse would get him removed from placement. Licensing Specialist informed Resident 1 that continual allegations will not get he removed from placement.

## Licensing Specialist interviewed Staff 1 as follows:

Staff 1 stated that they would never harm a child and reported having children of their own. Staff 1 reported that after doing the head check and line up, Staff 1 and Staff 2 instructed the residents to go inside to out their pockets to be inspeced for contraband. Staff 1 reported not ever making physical contact with the residents, including Resident 1. Staff 1 stated their (Staff 1 and Staff 2) hands were full of items (as seen on the video footage).

### The following Minimum Licensing Regulations were reviewed:

**<u>907.2-</u>** "Child caring staff shall be responsible for providing the level of supervision, care, and treatment necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of each child at the facility, taking into account the child's age, individual differences and abilities, surrounding circumstances, hazards and risks."

905.6-"Searches of a child or a child's personal property shall be for reasons limited to safety and security of children and staff, in cases of suspected theft, or suspicion of possession of items which are not permitted by agency policy."

109.1.g-"Engaging in behavior that could be viewed as sexual, dangerous, exploitative, or physically harmful to children."

Licensing found no violations to the Minimum Licensing Standards. This complaint is UNFOUNDED.

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#### **Provider Comments:**

CCL Staff Signature

Date: 4/23/2025

Provider Signature :

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