

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Department of Health and Environment

Article 4.—Maternal and Child Health

28-4-440. Programs serving infants and toddlers.

The following requirements shall be met for all infants and toddlers:

- (a) Infant and toddler programs shall be conducted on the ground floor only.
- (b) Each unit of infants and each unit of toddlers shall be separate from each unit of older children unless otherwise approved by the department.
- (c) Floor furnaces shall be prohibited.
- (d) Cribs and playpens shall be located within the self-contained unit and be separated from the play area. If a barrier is used, it shall not impede supervision.
- (e) Safe sleep procedures shall be followed as specified in K.A.R. 28-4-436.
- (f) When children are awake, they shall not be left in cribs, playpens, or other confinement for more than 30 minutes.
- (g) An adult-size chair shall be provided for each unit of infants.
- (h) Children not held for feeding shall have low chairs and tables, infant seats with trays, or high chairs with a wide base and a safety strap.
- (i) Either individually labeled towels and washcloths or disposable products shall be provided.
- (j) Items that children can place in their mouths shall be washed and sanitized before being used by another child, if contaminated by saliva or other bodily fluids.
- (k) Each applicant with a temporary permit and each licensee shall ensure there is one toilet training device or child-sized toilet for every six toddlers.
- (l) There shall be daily communication between the parent or legal guardian and the staff about each child's behavior and development.

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