
 <b>2025-2026 Head Start Policy Index</b>		Change Required?	Description of Change made to current Policy
<b>Education and Early Childhood Development</b>			
1	Home Visits/ Parent Conferences	yes	Reorganized the policy and added clarification for late entries.
5	Development and Behavioral Screening	yes	Added clarification for late entries.
11	Discipline and Guidance	yes	Updated language to align with updated language in the HSPPS.
17	Child Arrival & Departure	yes	Updated language for clarification.
<b>Environmental Health and Safety</b>			
1	Safe Environment	yes	Removed lead testing information and created new policy
3	Hygiene & Cleaning Practices	yes	Minor changes for clarification.
5	Emergency Preparedness	yes	Updated to include mental health
7	Diapering and Toilet Training	yes	Updated HSPPS and provide clarification regarding toileting.
11	Lead Testing	Yes	Removed lead testing information and created new policy
<b>Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, and Attendance (ERSEA)</b>			
10	Suspension and Expulsion	Yes	Edit to policy title and updated language for clarification

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<b>Health</b>			
3	Preventative Health Visit Requirements and Documentation	yes	align to updated language from HSPPS. Clarification for transfers.
5	Oral Health and Education	yes	update regarding procedures
6	Critical Health Concerns	yes	align to updated language from HSPPS
<b>Program Design and Management</b>			
2	Standards of Conduct	yes	Updated language to align with updated language in the HSPPS.
4	Training and Professional Development	yes	Updated guidance related to training requirements for staff
6	Staff Qualifications and Competency Requirements	Yes	Provide clarification for Teacher Assistant Qualificationx
10	Personnel	yes	Provide clarification for what personnel PC has approval for
11	Program Governance	yes	updated language regarding governance training
16	Staff Safety Training	yes	Provide clarification regarding training requirements.
<b>Wellness</b>			
1	Identification of Mental Wellness Needs and Provision of Intervention through Mental Wellness Support Services	Yes	Create a system for communication and data collection.