Parent Notice Regarding Child Care Licensure and Complaints

The Utah Department of Health licenses child care facilities. *State licensing through the Department of Health is not the same thing as having a business license. A child care program may have a business license, but still not be a state licensed child care facility.* State licensing monitors licensed child care facilities to ensure the facility meets basic health and safety requirements.

Utah law defines which child care facilities are required to be state licensed, and which are not. Voluntary state licensing is available for facilities who are not required by law to be licensed, but these facilities do not have to be licensed if they choose not to.

*By law, this facility is not required to be state licensed, and is not state licensed.*

State law does require all child care facilities, including those who are not required to be state licensed, to submit information to the Department of Health in order to conduct criminal and child abuse/neglect background screenings of all staff in the facility. This facility is required to submit information for all staff in the facility, so that a background screening can be conducted. Individuals who do not pass the background screening cannot be employed in this facility.

The Department of Health also investigates complaints of health and safety risks in both licensed and unlicensed child care facilities. To learn more about Child Care Licensing, or to submit a complaint about a health or safety risk in a child care facility, contact the Child Care Licensing Program at:

800-883-9375

You can also learn more about Child Care Licensing, and submit a health or safety complaint, through the Child Care Licensing website at:

childcarelicensing.utah.gov