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COMPONENT: FACILITIES, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT AND

SUBJECT: APPROPRIATENESS OF EQUIPMENT, TOYS, AND MATERIALS

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE: To provide and arrange sufficient equipment, toys, materials, and furniture to meet the needs and facilitate the participation of children and adults. Equipment, toys, materials, and furniture must be: supportive of the specific educational objectives of the local program; supportive of the cultural and ethnic backgrounds of the children; age-appropriate, safe, and supportive of the abilities and developmental level of each child served, with adaptations, if necessary, for children with disabilities; accessible, attractive, and inviting to children; designed to provide a variety of learning experiences and to encourage each child to experiment and explore; safe, durable, and kept in good condition; and stored in a safe and orderly fashion when not in use.

POLICY AND PROCEDURE:

- The Education Manager will ensure sufficient equipment, toys, materials, and furniture are provided and arranged to meet the needs and facilitate the participation of children.
- The Education Manager will ensure equipment; toys, materials, and furniture are supportive of the specific educational objectives of the program.
- The Education Manager will ensure equipment; toys, materials, and furniture are supportive of the cultural and ethnic backgrounds of the children.
- The Health Services Manager will ensure equipment, toys, and materials are age appropriate, safe, and supportive of the abilities and developmental level of each child served with adaptations for children with disabilities when required.
- Teaching staff will ensure equipment; toys, materials, and furniture is accessible, attractive, and inviting to children.
- Facilities and Education Manager will ensure equipment; toys, materials, and furniture are designed to provide a variety of learning experiences and to encourage each child to experiment and explore.
- Education staff will ensure equipment, toys, materials, and furniture is safe, durable, clean and kept in good working order.

- Education staff will ensure equipment; toys and materials are stored in a safe and orderly fashion when not in use.