

## State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families

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The Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families, as the licensing authority for child care, as well as state child welfare agency is required to provide to the general public the aggregate number of deaths and serious injuries for licensed child care providers as well as aggregate data regarding instances of substantiated child abuse that occur in child care settings each year.\*

Serious injury is defined as requiring hospitalization or professional medical attention other than basic first aid. Substantiated child abuse and/or neglect is defined as an instance of child abuse and/or neglect, where there exists a preponderance of the evidence that such abuse and/or neglect occurred. Specific indications as well as Child Protective Services policies regarding the processing of investigations can be found at: http://www.dcyf.ri.gov/policyregs/

The following data was pulled from RI DCYF's RI Children's Information System: Deaths or serious injuries from 2017 occurring in licensed child care programs	Center-Based	Family-Based
Deaths	0	0
Serious Injuries	1	0

Substantiated instances of Child Abuse and/or Neglect from 2017 occurring in licensed child care programs	Center-Based	Family-Based
Abuse	0	1
Neglect	19	2

<sup>\*</sup> Pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations: Title 45: Public Welfare and Human Services; Part 98: Child Care and Development Fund; Section 33: Consumer and Provider Education

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