Amend Section 84001 to read:

84001  DEFINITIONS (Continued)  84001

(a)  (Continued)

(5)  "Minor parent program" means a group home program that serves pregnant
minors and minor parents with children younger than six years of age who are
dependents of the court, nondependents, voluntary and/or regional center
placements, and reside in the group home with the minor parent, who is the
primary caregiver of the young child. (Continued)

Authority Cited:  Section 17730, Welfare and Institutions Code; and Sections 1530 and
1530.9, Health and Safety Code.

Reference:  Sections 1501, 1502, 1503, 1507, 1522.4, 1530.8, and 1531, Health and
Safety Code; and Sections 11331.5(d), 11406(c), 17710(a), (d), (g), and
(h), 17731 and 17736(a) and (b), Welfare and Institutions Code; and 45
CFR Section 1351.1(k).
Amend Section 84065.2 to read:

84065.2 PERSONNEL DUTIES 84065.2

(a) The facility manager(s) shall:

(1) Meet the requirements of Health and Safety Code Section 1522.4(a)(1) through (3).

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(A) Health and Safety Code Sections 1522.4(a)(1) through (3) states:

(1) The facility shall have one or more facility managers. "Facility manager", as used in this section, means a person on the premises with the authority and responsibility necessary to manage and control the day-to-day operation of a community care facility and supervise the clients. The facility manager, licensee, and administrator, or any combination thereof, may be the same person provided he or she meets all applicable requirements. If the administrator is also the facility manager for the same facility this person shall be limited to the administration and management of only one facility.

(2) The facility manager shall have at least one year of experience working with the client group served, or the equivalent education or experience, as determined by the Department.

(3) A facility manager shall be at the facility at all times when one or more clients are present. To ensure adequate supervision of clients when clients are at the facility outside of their normal schedule, a current telephone number where the facility manager can be reached shall be provided to the clients, licensing agency, school, and any other agency or person as the Department determines is necessary. The facility manager shall instruct these agencies and individuals to notify him or her when clients will be returning to the facility outside of the normal hours.

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(b) (Continued)


Reference: Sections 1501, 1522.4 and 1531, Health and Safety Code.
Amend Section 84065.5 to read:

84065.5 STAFF/CHILD RATIOS

(a) (Continued)

(b) When the facility is providing direct care and supervision to the child(ren) of a minor parent(s) in placement, there shall be present on duty, one child care staff person for every four children of minor parents, or fraction thereof. From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., in minor parent programs, there shall be one on-duty child care staff person to each ten children, or fraction thereof, present.

(1) In minor parent programs, children shall include all children present in the facility, including minor parents and their child(ren). When the minor parent is not providing direct care and supervision to his or her child(ren), the facility shall provide that care and supervision.

(2) At any time the facility provides direct care and supervision of the minor parents' children, there shall be one staff for every four children of minor parents, or fraction thereof. (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84065.7 to read:

84065.7 NIGHT SUPERVISION

(a) In group homes providing care and supervision to 12 or fewer children, there shall be one child care staff person on duty from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.; for minor parent programs this requirement shall be from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.

(b) In group homes providing care and supervision to 13 to 30 children, there shall be one child care staff person awake and on duty from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.; for minor parent programs this requirement shall be from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. (Continued)

(c) In group homes providing care and supervision to 31 or more children, there shall be one child care staff person awake and on duty from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. for the first 30 children; and one child care staff person awake and on duty for each additional 30 children or fraction of that amount; for minor parent programs this requirement shall apply from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.

(d) For purposes of determining the appropriate staff to children ratio, children shall include all children present in the facility.

(e) (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84200 to read:

84200 GENERAL 84200

(a) The provisions in this subchapter shall govern group homes that care for children under the age of six years who are dependents of the court, regional center placements, or voluntary placements and who are not accompanied by the minor parent, unless otherwise specified. In addition, the provisions in Chapter 1, General Licensing Requirements, and in Chapter 5, Group Homes, shall govern such facilities, unless specified otherwise.

(1) These regulations do not apply to children who accompany their minor mothers who are being placed in a group home, unless the children of the minor mothers are dependents of the court, regional center placements, or voluntary placements. The provisions of this subchapter shall also govern group homes that care for minor parents and their child(ren) who are dependents of the court, nondependents, voluntary, and/or regional center placements, unless otherwise specified. (Continued)

(b) The provisions of Chapter 1, General Licensing Requirements; Chapter 5, Group Homes; and this subchapter, Care for Children Under the Age of Six Years, shall govern minor parent programs, unless otherwise specified.

(1) Minor parent programs are exempt from the "family group," "family-like setting," and "houseparent" requirements as defined in Sections 84201(f)(1), (f)(2), and (h)(1) respectively.

(2) Minor parent programs are exempt from the "primary caregiver" requirements as defined in Sections 84201(p)(2) and (3), but shall comply with the provisions of Section 84065.2(b).

(3) Minor parent programs are exempt from the staff to child ratio requirements of Sections 84265.5 and 84265.7, but shall comply with the provisions of Sections 84065.5 and 84065.7.

(4) Minor parent programs are exempt from the facility manager training requirements of Section 84265(b), but shall comply with the provisions of Section 84065(d)(3).

(5) Minor parent programs are exempt from the training plan requirements of Section 84265(i), but shall comply with the provisions of Section 84065(h).
(2)(c) (Continued)

(A)(1) (Continued)

(B)(2) (Continued)

(C)(3) (Continued)

(b)(d) (Continued)

(e)(e) (Continued)

(d)(f) (Continued)

(e)(g) (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code; and Section 17730, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Reference: Sections 1501, 1502, 1530.8, and 1531, Health and Safety Code; and Sections 11467.1, 17710, 17730, 17731, 17732, and 17736, Welfare and Institutions Code.
Amend Section 84201 to read:

84201 DEFINITIONS 84201

(a)-(o) (Continued)

(p) (1) "Preventive health practices and safety training" includes pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation, pediatric first aid, recognition, management, and prevention of infectious diseases, including immunizations, and prevention of childhood injuries. (Continued)


Reference: Sections 1501, 1530.8, 1531, and 1596.866, Health and Safety Code; and Sections 11400(n) and 11467.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.
Amend Section 84222 to read:

84222  PLAN OF OPERATION  84222

(a)  (Continued)

(5)  (Continued)

(A) This plan must include quiet and active play, rest and relaxation, eating, toileting, individual attention from the houseparent or child care worker, and activities that foster the child's cognitive development.

(B) In minor parent programs, the plan must include time for the parent to spend with his or her child in activities appropriate to the child's development and to the parent's development of parenting skills. (Continued)

(12) The plan for providing appropriate parenting education to the minor parents.

(13) The plan for assuring that each minor parent complies with the requirements in Sections 84276, 84277, and 84278.1 when caring for his or her child.


Amend Section 84265 to read:

84265 PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS

(a) (Continued)

(c) Each facility manager shall complete 15 hours of health and safety training in preventive health practices.

(1) Fifteen hours of The training shall include pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation, pediatric first aid, recognition, management, and prevention of infectious diseases, including immunizations, and prevention of childhood injuries. (Continued)

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Licensees may contact the following to obtain information regarding preventive health practices and safety training: the local child care resource and referral agency, the local health department, and Healthline at (800) 333-3212.

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(C) The pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation and pediatric first aid training shall be current as determined by the expiration date on the card.

(D) Training in health and safety (preventative health practices) is a one-time-only requirement. (Continued)

(3) The pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation and pediatric first aid training must be provided by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, or a training program approved by the State Emergency Medical Services Authority. The training requirements shall be met in courses conducted by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, approved by the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA), or offered or approved by an accredited college or university.

(4) The facility manager shall maintain verification of completed health and safety training in preventive health practices in the facility files.

(A) Verification of completion of pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation and pediatric first aid training shall be a current, unexpired card issued by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association or a training program approved by the State Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA).
(B) Verification of completion of the 15 hours of preventive health practices and safety training, other than pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid, shall include the date of the course, the title, the total number of hours, the sponsoring agency, and the instructor's name and signature shall be a course completion card issued by a training program approved by the EMSA.

(C) Verification of completion of health and safety (preventive health practices) training taken on or before September 20, 1998, shall be a certificate of completion or certified copies of transcripts that identify the number of hours and the specific course or courses.

(D) If health and safety training is taken at an accredited college or university, on or after September 21, 1998, verification shall be a certificate of course completion, course completion cards, or certified copies of transcripts that identify the number of hours and specified course(s) taken. (Continued)

(e) The child care worker in a minor parent program shall meet the education and experience qualifications specified at Section 84265(d), except for the following:

   (1) The specific courses and work experience shall include infant care, child development or early childhood education, adolescent development, parenting skills, and other courses appropriate to the care and supervision of the client population of pregnant minors and their children.

(f) Facility managers, houseparents employed before the effective date of these regulations, employed before September 24, 1998, and child care workers in a minor parent program employed before the effective date of these regulations for a minor parent program, who do not meet the requirements of Sections 84265(b), and (d), and (e) respectively, shall remain qualified, provided they maintain continuous enrollment in an accredited college or university, and complete, with a passing grade, at least three semester units, or equivalent quarter units, each semester or quarter until the appropriate educational requirement is met.

(g) Houseparents, and child care workers in a minor parent program, shall have a current and valid certificate verifying successful completion of pediatric first aid and pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation issued by a training program approved by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, or a training program approved by the State Emergency Medical Service Authority, or effective September 21, 1998, from an accredited college or university.

(h) (Continued)

   (1) The social worker shall carry no more than 12 children's cases. For minor parent programs, the social worker may consider the minor parent and child as one case and shall carry no more than 12 cases.

Reference: Sections 1530.8, 1531, 1562, 1596.866, Health and Safety Code; and Section 11467.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.
Amend Section 84265.1 to read:

84265.1 PERSONNEL DUTIES

(a)-(e) (Continued)

(f) The facility manager shall perform the following duties:

(1) Develop the facility's program.

(2) Implement and coordinate the facility's program.

(3) Assure that children accepted for placement are appropriate to the facility's program.

(4) Maintain awareness of any changing needs of children in care.

(5) Supervise staff and volunteers.

(6) Schedule staff to assure that children are constantly supervised.

(7) Recruit, employ, train, evaluate, and terminate staff.

(g)(f) The administrator, facility manager, and houseparent or child care worker in a minor parent program may be the same person, if the highest applicable education and experience standards are met for the position(s) being held.

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Reference: Section 1530.8, Health and Safety Code; and Section 11467.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.
Amend Section 84268.1 to read:

84268.1 INTAKE PROCEDURES

(a) Sections 84068.1(b)(1)(B), 84068.1(b)(4)(B), 84068.1(c)(2), and 84068.1(c)(3) do not apply to group homes that care only for children under the age of six years. (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Reference: Sections 1530.8 and 1531, Health and Safety Code; and Sections 361.2 and 11467.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.
Amend Section 84268.3 to read:

84268.3 MODIFICATIONS TO NEEDS AND SERVICES PLAN

(a) Section 84068.3(a) does not apply to children under the age of six years who are not accompanied by the minor parent and are dependents of the court, regional center placements, or voluntary placements.

(1) Minor parent programs are exempt from the requirements of Section 84268.3, but shall comply with the provisions of Section 84068.3. (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Reference: Sections 1530.8 and 1531, Health and Safety Code; and Section 11467.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.
Amend Section 84272 to read:

(b) When family member involvement is part of the child's needs and services plan, visiting shall be allowed as indicated in the plan. Visiting does not include the time spent by a minor parent as the primary caregiver for his or her child.

(1) Visiting shall be only under the supervision of the social work staff, a houseparent or child care worker, or a facility manager, unless the case plan provides for unsupervised visits. (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Reference: Sections 1501, 1530.8, and 1531, Health and Safety Code; and Section 11467.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.
Amend Section 84272.1 to read:

84272.1 DISCIPLINE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

(a) Discipline for children under the age of six years shall be education-based, consistent among caregivers, and include the following: (Continued)

(e) The licensee shall assure that the minor parent disciplines his or her child in a manner consistent with the requirements of Sections 84272.1(a), (b), and (d).

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Reference: Sections 1501, 1530.8, and 1531, Health and Safety Code; and Section 11467.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.
Amend Section 84274 to read:

84274  TRANSPORTATION

(a)-(b) (Continued)

(c) The licensee or designee shall secure children in the vehicle in an appropriate restraint device according to the California Vehicle Code and, if applicable, the manufacturers' instructions for the infant car seat(s). (Continued)

(3) When a minor parent accompanies his or her child in a vehicle, the licensee or designee shall supervise the minor parent in securing his or her child as required by California Vehicle Code Section 27360(a). (Continued)

(d)-(e) (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84275 to read:

84275 HEALTH-RELATED SERVICES

(a) The licensee shall cooperate with the placing agency or the person making a voluntary placement to ensure that children have a thorough physical examination by a pediatrician within 30 days of admission according to Section 31-405.1(i) 31-206.36 of the Department's Child Welfare Services Manual of Policies and Procedures. (Continued)

(c) Child care staff shall monitor the minor parent's administration of medication to self and child according to the needs and services plan, when the minor parent is capable of doing so and when approved by a physician, psychiatrist, or psychologist.

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84276 to read:

(a) (Continued)

(1) A child under the age of six years, a nutritionist, dietitian, home economist, or physician, as appropriate, shall reevaluate the meals/formulas every three months. (Continued)

(b) Houseparents and child care workers supervising children under the age of six years shall wash their hands with antibacterial soap and water before each meal as follows: (Continued)

(d) The staff shall use appropriate seating equipment for while feeding children during feeding under the age of six years.

(1) Children under the age of six years who are unable to sit unassisted shall be held by the houseparent, child care worker or minor parent.

(2) If staff or minor parents use high chairs or feeding tables, they the high chairs or feeding tables shall have the following: (Continued)

(B) A safety strap that the houseparent, child care worker or minor parent shall properly secure around the child or a tray that the houseparent, child care worker or minor parent shall properly latch on both sides.

(3) Houseparents, child care workers and minor parents shall not allow an infant to pull on, climb on, climb into, or stand up in a high chair. (Continued)

(f) Staff or the minor parent shall feed an infant according to the individual plan.

(1) The houseparent, child care worker or minor parent shall hold the infant while bottle-feeding, unless it is necessary to protect the infant from overstimulation during mealtimes. (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84277 to read:

(a) The staff shall keep children **under the age of six years** clean and dry at all times.

   (1) When the minor parent is the primary caretaker of his or her child, the staff shall supervise the minor parent to ensure that his or her child is clean and dry.

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Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84278 to read:

84278 RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING CARE AND SUPERVISION 84278

(a) Houseparents shall supervise at all times a child under the age of six years who is not accompanied by the minor parent at all times. (Continued)

(g) For minor parent programs, the licensee shall not allow the minor parent and his or her infant to sleep in the same bed.

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84278.1 to read:

84278.1 SANITATION REQUIREMENTS

(a)-(c)(1) (Continued)

(2) Houseparents or maintenance staff shall wipe crib mattresses with a detergent/disinfectant daily and when soiled or wet.

(3) Houseparents or maintenance staff shall place soiled bedding in a suitable container, inaccessible to children. (Continued)

(g) When the minor parent is the primary caretaker of his or her child, the staff shall supervise the minor parent to ensure he or she complies with the sanitation requirements of Section 84278.1.

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84279 to read:

84279  PLANNED ACTIVITIES  84279

(a)-(3)(F)  (Continued)

(G) Individual attention to the child under the age of six years from the houseparent or child care worker. In the minor parent programs, individual attention from the minor parent to his or her child.

(H) If in the needs and services plan of a child under the age of six years, holding by the houseparent, child care worker, or minor parent. (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84287 to read:

84287 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS 84287

(a)-(c) (Continued)

(d) **Staff Houseparents** shall have a room to rest with a day bed or couch and space for storage of personal belongings. This requirement does not apply to minor parent programs. (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.

Amend Section 84287.2 to read:

84287.2 OUTDOOR ACTIVITY SPACE

(a) (Continued)

(2) Separation of children under six years from older children, except for minor parents when they are with their child(ren). (Continued)

Authority Cited: Section 1530 Health and Safety Code.