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Honorable Christine C. Quinn
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Honorable Speaker Quinn:

Enclosed with this letter is the statistical report the City Council has required of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) through Local Law 14, Section 17-920, on child care activity in New York City. The report represents child care activity for Family Day Care (FDC), Group Family Day Care (GFDC) and School Age Child Care (SACC) services, which are regulated by New York State Social Service Law and Group Child Care (GCC) services, which are regulated by Article 47 of the New York City Health Code. It covers the time period of January through March 2007.

Presented in table format, the report breaks out each indicator by modality and borough. It provides information on the number of inspections performed by the DOHMH staff, permitted, licensed or registered providers, new and renewal applications received and permits, licenses or registrations issued by the DOHMH. It also provides information on the number of complaints received, violations cited, the number of permits, licenses or registrations revoked or suspended, and day care services closed by the Bureau of Child Care (BCC). The report concludes with point-in-time data on staffing levels within the BCC.

The DOHMH continues to improve its ability to regulate child care by implementing effective protocols designed to promote accountability and track activity in child care services and the application of enhanced technology. During the first quarter of 2007, the department increased the number of licensed child care services in the city by 2%. The largest increase, 7%, was made in Group Family Child Care services. The number of complaints received by the department increased by 21% in comparison to the previous quarter; however, we continued to improve our response time to complaints. We currently respond to all serious and imminent danger complaints in less than 24 hours.

The DOHMH continued to improve its management of new and renewal child care applications, reducing its overdue renewal rate for all child care services to 3% of caseload during the quarter and resolving 84% of all new applications for family based care within a six month timeframe. This resulted in a 3.6% increase in the number of renewal applications issued and a dramatic 36% increase in the number of new applications issued during the quarter.

The DOHMH also has been successful in filling its staff vacancies in the BCC. At the end of the quarter, the BCC had eight vacancies, but has since identified candidates for all of the positions. I trust that the report will provide the information that the Council requires and look forward to our continued efforts in providing safe and high quality child care services in New York City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'TRF', is written over the printed name.

Thomas R. Frieden, M.D., M.P.H.
Commissioner

LOCAL LAW 14 ANNUAL REPORT
INFORMATION ON REGULATED CHILD CARE IN NEW YORK CITY
Period Covered: January – March 2007

ACRONYM KEY:

Article 47, NYC Health Code:

GDC-Group Child Care

NYS Social Service Law:

GFDC- Group Family Day Care

FDC-Family Day Care

SACC-School Age Child Care

Number of Providers Currently Licensed/Registered

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
GDC	289	731	513	417	107	2057
FDC	1515	809	827	434	48	3633
SA	227	410	267	232	48	1184
GFDC	585	913	243	619	117	2477
Total	2616	2863	1850	1702	320	9351

All Inspections of Group, Group Family, Family and School Age Child Care Services

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
GDC	301	733	372	460	110	1976
FDC	862	451	412	320	30	2075
SA	100	118	137	105	37	497
GFDC	377	617	150	465	58	1667
Total	1640	1919	1071	1350	235	6215

Number of Renewal Applications Received

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
GDC	27	85	52	50	20	234
FDC	100	59	54	35	3	251
SA	26	44	27	24	5	126
GFDC	57	92	26	58	11	244
Total	210	280	159	167	39	855

New Applications Received

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
GDC	16	25	30	6	3	80
FDC	113	68	44	41	9	275
SA	16	27	6	6	0	55
GFDC	67	101	20	63	10	261
Total	212	221	100	116	22	671

Renewal License/Registration Issued

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
GDC	25	75	46	44	15	205
FDC	129	64	56	49	4	302
SA	25	49	29	25	3	131
GFDC	57	64	19	66	15	221
Total	236	252	150	184	37	859

New License/Registration Issued

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
GDC	7	14	14	6	0	41
FDC	92	40	31	33	2	198
SA	15	8	15	7	6	51
GFDC	61	54	16	59	5	195
Total	175	116	76	105	13	485

Complaints Received

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
GDC	33	72	36	41	17	199
FDC	10	16	8	10	1	45
SA	6	7	14	8	3	38
GFDC	21	49	7	34	3	114
Total	70	144	65	93	24	396

Complaints Received Regarding Unlicensed or Unregistered Care

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
All Modalities	8	5	3	4	0	20

State Child Care Service Inspections Resulting in Violations Issued

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	Total
FDC	419	230	206	121	26	1002
SA	46	56	69	40	18	229
GFDC	161	313	67	215	24	780
Total	626	599	342	376	68	2011

Inspection Results of NYC Permitted Services

Initial Inspection Not Requiring Compliance Inspection	664
Initial Inspection Requiring Compliance Inspection	704
Compliance Inspection Not Requiring Return	454
Compliance Inspection Requiring Return	225
	2,047

Licenses or Permits Revoked

GDC	0
FDC	3
SA	0
GFDC	6
Total	9

Licenses or Permits Suspended

GDC	0
FDC	2
SA	0
GFDC	2
Total	4

Cease and Desist Orders Issued

FDC	4
SA	2
GFDC	3
Total	9

Day Care Centers Closed: 8

Bureau of Day Care Staffing

Early Childhood Consultants Employed	55
Early Childhood Consultants Vacancies	5*
Public Health Sanitarians Employed	51
Public Health Sanitarians Vacancies	3**

* Vacancies as of 3/31/07 – The bureau has since identified 5 additional ECEC candidates

**Vacancies as of 3/31/07 – The bureau has since identified 3 additional Public Health Sanitarians