

The 2006 Minnesota Legislature amended the Human Services Licensing Act (HSLA), Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 245A, The Department of Human Services Background Studies Act, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 245C and Government Data Practices, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13.

Amendments to Minn. Statute 245A

245A.14 – CPR Training – Effective May 17, 2006

Subd. 12 - Substitute caregivers who are employed for less than 30 hours during a 12-month period are exempt from the CPR and 1<sup>st</sup> Aid training requirements. This technically means that if the provider uses a substitute who provides less than 30 hours of care in any 12 month period, there does not need to be a caregiver trained in first aid and CPR present in the home during that time.

245A.14 – Video Training CPR and First Aid – Effective May 17, 2006

Subd. 13 – New legislation allows video training of first aid and CPR **IF** approved by the licensing agency. As of this date, the American Red Cross has not recognized an acceptable video training program. For the time being, Wright County **does not** approve video training to meet the CPR or first aid requirements.

245A.14 – Child Development Training – Effective August 1, 2006

Subd. 9b – Family child care providers must complete and document at least 2 hours of early childhood development training within the first year of licensure. New providers with extensive previous training in this area may be exempt with the approval of licensing staff.

245A.023b – Annual In-Service Training – Effective August 1, 2006

Providers must complete **8** hours (rather than 6) of training each year in one or more of the subject areas listed in Rule 2 (9502.0385, subp. 4).

245A.146 – Use of Mesh-Sided Portable Cribs – Effective August 1, 2006

Subd. 3 (d) – Child care providers are allowed to use mesh-sided playpens and cribs for infants without receiving a variance, provided they have verified the playpens/cribs have not been identified as unsafe by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CSPS)

245A.146 – Crib Safety Standards – Effective August 1, 2006

Subd. 4 Legislation clarified the gap measurement for crib mattresses as follows:

- ✓ When the non-compressed mattress is centered in the *non-full-size* crib, the gap between the mattress and the crib cannot be greater than one-half inch at any point. When the mattress is placed against the perimeter of the crib, the resulting gap cannot be greater than one inch at any point: and
- ✓ When the non-compressed mattress is centered in the *full-size* crib, the gap between the mattress and the crib cannot be greater than 11/16 inch at any point. When the mattress is placed against the perimeter of the crib, the resulting gap cannot be greater than 1-3/8 inch at any point.

Amendments to Minn. Statutes, Chapter 245C: Background Studies Act

245C.22 – Disqualifications: Not Public Data – Effective August 1, 2006

Subd. 7 – The identity of household members who are subjects of a disqualification related set-aside or variance is not public data if:

The household member resides in the residence where the family child care is provided: The subject of the set-aside or variance is under age 18 years: **AND** The set-aside or variance only relate to a disqualification for a misdemeanor level theft crime as defined in section 609.52.

245C.301 – Disqualifications: Notification of Set-Aside or Variance – Effective August 1, 2006

Providers are no longer required to disclose the identity of a household minor (under age 18) who is the subject of a set-aside or variance for a misdemeanor level theft crime.

Amendment to Rule 2 (9502)

Syrup of Ipecac – Effective May 15, 2006

Providers are no longer required to include syrup of ipecac in their first aid kits.