



## Early Learning Coalition of Southwest Florida

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| <b><u>Subject:</u></b> School Readiness and VPK Providers Compliance Policy |  |  |
| <b><u>Policy #: 220.10</u></b><br>ELCSWF-EL0008-11                          | <b><u>Category:</u></b><br>Program Quality and Standards | <b><u>AWI Reference #:</u></b><br>OEL-EL-220   |
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### **Policy:**

Providers under contract with the Early Learning Coalition are expected to comply with laws, rules and regulations and the Provider Agreements (SR and/or VPK) as it relates to, but not limited to:

- Health and Safety,
- Programmatic Responsibilities,
- Fiscal Reporting

The Coalition shall monitor each major component of the provider's responsibilities a minimum of once a fiscal year. Compliance monitoring visits may be unannounced. Support and technical assistance are available to assist each provider in achieving and maintaining compliance.

Technical assistance and an official notice of non-compliance will be given to providers as needed. Failure to comply will result in sanctions which may include, but are not limited to, non-payment or payment of funds and/or terminating the Provider Agreement without opportunity to reapply for a time period to be determined by the CEO, but not to exceed three (3) years.

Any notice of non-compliance or other sanctions against Child Care Providers must include notification of their right to appeal pursuant to policy 220.6 –ELCSWF-EL0015-08 "Appeals and Hearings".

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### **Associated Documents:** Policies 410.1, 420.1, 510.1, 520.1

- Provider Agreement for SR Services
- VPK Statewide Provider Agreement
- Operating Procedure: Compliance of SR/VPK Providers
- Monitoring forms

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