

West Virginia Child Care Serious Injury, Death and Substantiated Abuse and Neglect in Child Care Report

The Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014 requires states to make available by electronic means, easily accessible provider-specific information regarding the number of deaths and serious injuries that occur in child care settings each year. The WV DHHR Bureau for Children and Families Division of Early Care and Education, the administrator for CCDBG in West Virginia, will make serious injury and child fatality information available to parents and other stakeholders on a monthly and annual basis.

Date (month/year)	10/17	11/17	12/17	1/18	2/18	3/18	4/18	5/18	6/18	7/18	8/18	9/18	FFY 17-18 Totals
Deaths in Child Care	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
Serious Occurrences in Child Care	0	0	2	4	5	5	4	2	4	3	1		30
Substantiated Abuse and Neglect in Child Care	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0		1

*West Virginia defines a serious occurrence as an event that either harms or could potentially harm a child or compromises the operation of the program. It may include a child who dies while in care, a child injured while in care to the extent that the child requires medical care beyond immediate first aid, a diagnosed reportable communicable disease that is introduced in the center, a medication error that occurs, a legal action involving or affecting the operation of the center, a serious violation of a licensing requirement, such as use of physical punishment or failure to supervise or a report given to Child Protective Services of suspected abuse or neglect of a child at the center. This report reflects serious occurrences. West Virginia does not have a formal definition of serious injury currently.