

Child Care Licensing Enforcements

Who Regulates Child Care in Kansas?

The Kansas Office of Early Childhood (KOEC) Child Care Licensing (CCL) Program monitors and licenses child care facilities. Agency licensing specialists ensure child care facilities follow basic health and safety rules. Administrative orders issued by the agency are displayed in the Child Care Facility Report.

Purpose of CCL Enforcement

- Compel facilities to follow the rules.

When CCL Take Enforcement Action

CCL may act if:

- A facility doesn't fix violations after being cited.
- The violations are serious.
- A facility keeps breaking the same rules.

Types of Enforcement Actions

The goal is to help the facility improve and provide better care. If the facility doesn't fix the problems, more actions may follow.

- Extra visits to check improvement
- A **Notice of Non-Compliance** (letter to correct)
- An **Enforcement Letter** (formal letter of correction)

Administrative Orders

Administrative orders are displayed in the Child Care Facility Report. The types of administrative orders issued by the state are:

- **Intent to Deny** (license not issued)
- **Intent to Assess a Civil Penalty** (monetary fine)
- **Intent to Suspend** (pause on providing care)
- **Emergency Suspension** (immediate pause on providing care)
- **Intent to Revoke** (take away the license)

If a license is revoked, the facility cannot apply for a new license for one year.

Note: Only emergency suspensions happen immediately. For other orders, the facility can keep operating unless an appeal is not filed within 18 days of receiving notice. If the facility appeals, the legal process may take several months.

For more details, visit the Office of Administrative Hearings website. [Office of Administrative Hearings website](#)