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From: Betty Surbeck [bsurbeck@fssinc.org]

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Dear Ms. Lau,

Child Care Facilities Regulation #14-506 (#2539) Department of Public Welfare

I oppose the proposed change that removes the requirement for documentation of health screenings to detect conditions that will interfere with learning and health development. All children need to be screened for vision, hearing, growth, anemia, lead, and oral health so if there are any problems they can be addressed before children's health and development is compromised. Families that have limited income can not afford to pay for these screenings out of pocket and we will have children starting school with serious delays and problems that could have been avoided.

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