

<b>Department: Safe Environments</b>	<b>Approval Date: 5/27/2014</b>	<b>Policy Number: 9050</b>
<b>Regulation Number: 1302.47(b)(5)(ii); CFOC 3.1.4; AAP Pediatrics 2011;128;e1341</b>	<b>Regulation Topic: Safe Environments</b>	<b>Policy Title: Safe To Sleep</b>

**Policy:**

In addition to the above regulations all direct service providers will develop a “safe to sleep” policy which must include at a minimum the following items:

- Defined practices that incorporate the National Health and Safety Performance Standards Guidelines for Early Care and Education Programs related to safe sleep
- Defined training and employee sign-off of completed training prior to any employee being left solely in charge of infants
- Process for constant monitoring of sleeping infants by a fully trained member of teaching staff
- Defined process for providing all families, regardless of program option enrollment status, education and resources regarding SUIDS/SIDS

A copy of the policy must be maintained on file and is subject to random audit by MARC Head Start staff.