

## **Rulemaking and Public Rule Hearing: 8.9.3 NMAC, 8.9.4 NMAC, and 8.9.5 NMAC**

### **Public Comment**

#### **Linda Conjurske, Kiddie Academy of Paradise Hills**

My name is Linda Conjurske and I am from Kiddie Academy of Paradise Hills. And the Quorum site where we're required to get that training is no longer accessible to any of our employees. So that's going to pose an issue with meeting those requirements. Thank you.

Yes, I just had an employee inform me that they had to reactivate their account and they weren't aware of that. So that's happened to a couple of employees that we have and they said that they were able to reactivate their accounts and now have access. So that previous comment can be, you know, stricken, I suppose.

#### **Patricia Steward, ECECD**

Good morning. My name's Patricia Steward. I'm with ECECD. I'm the Bureau Chief for the Child Care Services Bureau. And I just wanted to make a correction for 8.9.3.3 NMAC. In that section, it should read 7-9-77.2 NMSA 1978. It's that first sentence.

#### **Emily Martin, Count Your Blessings Preschool**

Hi, my name is Emily Martin. I'm with Count Your Blessings preschool out of Moriarty, New Mexico. A couple comments.

First in regards to 8.9.4.23 personnel staffing requirements for centers in sections BB and in BC. There it states a new educator in Section B and a new staff member in Section C, and would like the department to consider providing a definition of what the difference is between a staff member and an educator for training purposes, or being consistent with "educator" or "staff member" throughout the document.

Second, would like the department to consider how the language could be interpreted that an educator or new employee or new hire must complete the required trainings prior to within three months to the date of hire. It could be interpreted that any employees that are changing from one center to another and looking at new employment that they must start over from the beginning from their date of hire and considerations of new or current educators that have already met the requirements through college courses prior to that date of hire at the center. Thank you.