



Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE COMPLIANT

Name of Provider Kathleen Swenka		County Johnson	
Care Address 2692 240th ST NW		City North Liberty	Zip Code 52317
Mailing Address 2692 240th ST NW		Mailing City North Liberty	Mailing Zip Code 52317
Phone 319-626-6665		Email	
Date of Complaint:	05/19/2025	Date of Visit:	05/23/2025
Type of Visit			
☒ Scheduled ☐ Unannounced ☐ N/A			
Compliance Regulation			
☒ Non-Compliance with Regulations Found ☐ Compliance with Regulations Found			
Recommendation for Registration:			
☒ No Changes to registration status recommended ☐ Revocation of Registration ☐ Cancellation of Child Care Assistance Provider Agreement			
Category of Care:			
☐ Category A ☒ Category B ☐ Category C (with no co-provider) ☐ Category C (with co-provider) ☐ Non-registered Child Care Home with CCA Provider Agreement			

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Complaint Details:Did this complaint result in a serious injury? ☐ Yes ☒ NoDid this complaint result in a death to a child? ☐ Yes ☒ No**Summary of Complaint:**

It was reported that Kathleen "swatted" a child while changing their diaper because they were biting her.

SW Bailey met with Kathleen at her child development home on 5/23/25. Kathleen stated that at the time of the incident, the children were doing "free play" and she was trying to make an email account for her husband. Kathleen said that some of the children started saying "poop" and she noticed that a child was having a "blow out" from their diaper. Kathleen said that when she was trying to change the child's diaper, the child was trying to bite her, and feces was getting all over. Kathleen said that she "swatted" the child to get their attention and calm them down. Kathleen said that her husband, who is her assistant, was not home to assist her. Kathleen said that she self-reported to the parent when they picked up the child and later called the parent because she was worried the child might have a bruise on their arm from her trying to hold them during the incident.

Kathleen acknowledged that her actions were not appropriate, but she admits that she was frustrated and was just trying to get the child cleaned up and changed without getting bit. Kathleen said that she is looking in to taking Positive Behavior Intervention Supports to come up with alternatives and better ways to handle situations like this. Kathleen said that the child is no longer attending her daycare.

Rule Basis and Findings of Complaint(s):

110.8(6)a Corporal punishment including spanking, shaking, and slapping is not used.

Kathleen is out of compliance with this rule, she admitted to "swatting" a child on their leg.

Resolution and Action Required:

Kathleen signed a safety plan agreeing not to use any type of corporal punishment in her child development home.

SW Bailey will make a referral to CCR&R and CCNC to assist Kathleen with alternative techniques to deal with these situations.

Consultant's Signature:	Holly Bailey	Date of Visit:	05/27/2025
Supervisor Signature:	Sheila Aunspach	Date of Visit:	05/27/2025