

06/28/2022

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Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home C conducted on 06/27/2022. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. You are not a participant in the voluntary Quality Rating and Improvement System. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of the visit:

**441 IAC 110.8(1) Facility Requirements**

441 IAC 110.8(1)“ i” Smoking and the use of tobacco products shall be prohibited at all times in the home and in every vehicle in which children receiving care in the home are transported. Smoking and the use of tobacco products shall be prohibited in the outdoor play area during the home’s hours of operation. Nonsmoking signs shall be posted at every entrance of the child care home and in every vehicle used to transport children.

All signs shall include:

1. The telephone number for reporting complaints, and
2. The Internet address of the department of public health ([www.iowasmokefreeair.gov](http://www.iowasmokefreeair.gov))

441 IAC 110.8(1)“ n” Providers shall inform parents of the presence of any pet in the home.

1. Each dog or cat in the household shall undergo an annual health examination by a licensed veterinarian. Acceptable veterinary examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5153, Veterinary Health Certificate. This examination shall verify that the animal’s routine immunizations, particularly rabies, are current and that the animal shows no evidence of endoparasites (roundworms, hookworms, whipworms) and ectoparasites (fleas, mites, ticks, lice).
2. Each pet bird in the household shall be purchased from a dealer licensed by the Iowa department of agriculture and land stewardship and shall be examined by a veterinarian to verify that it is free of infectious diseases. Acceptable veterinary examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5153, Veterinary Health Certificate. Children shall not handle pet birds.
3. Aquariums shall be well maintained and installed in a manner that prevents children from accessing the water or pulling over a tank.
4. All animal waste shall be immediately removed from the children’s areas and properly disposed of. Children shall not perform any feeding or care of pets or cleanup of pet waste.
5. No animals shall be allowed in the food preparation, food storage, or serving areas during food preparation and serving times



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Findings:

441 IAC 110.8(1)“i” Provider had removed the No Smoking signs from her doors, they were aged and peeling. She can reach out to Brenda Bera of CCR&R for new No Smoking signs.

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\*\*Provider reported 4 cats in the home. She will get them into the Vet soon for physicals.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Provider reported that she stopped providing care in August/September 2021. She has been working outside the home until recently when she started receiving calls for daycare. Provider is reminded to start documenting Smoke detector checks and completion of monthly drills with the children.

Pet forms will need to be completed by August 27, 2022. Copies of the pet health forms can be emailed to sburris@dhs.state.ia.us or pictures texted to 712-435-0576.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Corrective Action Required:

Non-compliance with any of the mandated requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration. Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 712-435-0576 sburris@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,  
Stacy Burris

**Social Worker II**

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**Social Work Supervisor**

Always Remember:



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Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at 877-216-8481

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you can access the approved training by going to [http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child\\_Care/Professional\\_Development.html](http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child_Care/Professional_Development.html)

You may also access training at: <https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/trainingregistry/>

All providers need to maintain compliance with rules set out in Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, which includes: 441 IAC 110.5(1): Check with the appropriate authorities to determine how the following local, state, or federal laws apply to you: • Zoning code • Building code • Fire code • Business license • State and federal income tax • Unemployment insurance • Worker's Compensation • Minimum wage and hour requirements • OSHA • Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).