

06/15/2023

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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 06/15/2023. 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:

FINDINGS: **Identify FINDINGS in each area of non-compliance.**

441 IAC 110.6 Limit. Except as provided in subrule 110.6(3), no greater number of children shall be received for care at any one time than the number authorized on the registration certificate.

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

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

441 IAC 110.15 **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT HOME CATEGORY "C"**

441 IAC 110.15(1)“ e” No more than 16 children shall be present at any one time when an emergency school closing is in effect. If more than 8 children are present at any one time due to an emergency school

closing exception, the provider shall be assisted by a department-approved assistant who is at least 18 years of age.

- If only ne approved provider is present, no more than 6 of 8 children may be 24 months of age or younger and of these 6 children, no more than 3 are 12 months of age or younger.

Findings:

441 IAC 110.6 Limit of children in care

**Provider is a C1 home. She is allowed 8 children at any time. At the compliance visit today, she had 10 children. She was over by 1 child in the infant/preschool age range at 7 children. Provider also had 3 school aged children in her care.

Discussion with the provider regarding rules of the C1 home and allotted number of children. She had three children between the ages of 1-2, and four children between 2 and the day before school. We discussed the Category B home boundaries and limitations. The provider is encouraged to not take more than 8 children on a daily basis or change her category to a B home and have an assistant available. She would then need to ensure that she was not over 8 preschool aged children and 4 school aged children.

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** Provider did not have the pet form on the cat. She said that both pets were in in January and may have thrown the incorrect form away.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Ensure that your numbers are in category with your certificate. You can create an application on the provider portal and make the change to a different category that meets the needs of your childcare home. You should not be taking any more than 8 children in your home on a daily basis.

Pet form for the cat. Please get the form filled out and send a picture of completed form by text to 712-435-0576 or email to sburris@dhs.state.ia.us

Corrective Action Required:

Please reach out to compliance staff or CCR&R with any quesitons or concerns.

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



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Always Remember:

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

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).