



Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

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05/21/2025

Kathy Reuter
2203 ST John DR
Dubuque, IA 52002

Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the pre-inspection visit at your residence in which you are seeking child development home registration conducted on 05/21/2025. 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)“h”

The home shall have at least one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway. Each smoke detector shall be installed according to manufacturer’s recommendations. The provider shall test each smoke detector monthly and keep a record of testing for inspection purposes

Findings:

441 IAC 110.8(1)h. Smoke detectors.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

I encourage you to work with Child Care Resource and Referral for ongoing child care needs.

Child Care Resource & Referral of Northeast Iowa

2728 Asbury Road, #215

Dubuque, IA 52001

563-557-1628



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Corrective Action Required:

Kathy needed a smoke detector installed at the top of her steps. A picture of the installed smoke detector was received a few hours after our visit.

Nothing further is required at this time.

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 563-949-6971 or kathy.huinker@hhs.iowa.gov if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Kathy Huinker

Social Worker II

Sheila Aunspach

Social Work Supervisor

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).