



Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

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Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home B conducted on 08/18/2023. 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:

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” The provider shall test each smoke detector monthly and keep a record of testing for inspection purposes.

110.9(4) Children’s files. An individual file is maintained for each child and updated annually or when there are changes. Each file contains:

- a. Identifying information including, at a minimum, the child’s name, birth date, parent’s name, address, telephone number, special needs of the child, and the parent’s work address and telephone number.
- b. Emergency information including where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city, and telephone of the child’s regular doctor, and the name, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency.
- c. A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment.
- d. For infants and preschoolers: An admission physical examination, on the first day of attendance, including past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary. The date of the exam is not more than 12 months before the child’s first day of attendance.
For school-aged children: On the first day of attendance, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian or admission physical examination that is not more than 12 months from the child’s first day.
- e. For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.
For school aged children: An annual statement of health condition signed by the parent or legal guardian, annually from date of statement of health or admission physical.
- f. For each school-age child, record of a physical exam completed at the time of school enrollment or since.
- g. A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state Department of Public Health.
- h. Written emergency plans for children with allergies. Must accompany child if away from facility.
- i. Documentation signed by the parent which names persons authorized to pick up the child, their telephone number, and relationship to the child.
- j. Written permission from the parent(s) for their child to attend activities away from the child development home.
- k. Injury report forms to document injuries requiring first aid or medical care.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Monthly testing of the smoke detectors need to be documented consistently.

Many of the children’s files need updated documents including physical examinations.

Corrective Action Required:

A re-check is not needed at this time, corrections need to be made by 9/18/23 and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.

I encourage you to work with Tiffany Hagar from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.

Tiffany can be reached at (515) 573-0029



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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=220-0981 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,
Dave Jaehrling

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).