10/19/2023

Jennifer Fisher
124 Terrace DR
Independence, IA 50644

Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home C conducted on 10/19/2023. 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
441 IAC 110.8(3)	**Medications and Hazardous Materials**
441 IAC 110.8(3) “d”	The provider shall establish procedures related to infectious disease control and handling of any bodily excrement or discharge, or blood. Soiled diapers shall be stored in containers separate from other waste.

Findings:

An annual compliance check was completed on 10/19/23 and the following was out of compliance:
441 IAC 110.8(1)“h” The provider shall test each smoke detector monthly and keep a record of testing for inspection purposes.
Jennifer did not have monthly documentation of testing of smoke detectors.

441 IAC 110.8(3) “d”
The provider shall establish procedures related to infectious disease control and handling of any bodily excrement or discharge, or blood. Soiled diapers shall be stored in containers separate from other waste.
Jennifer did not keep diapers in a separate container from her other waste.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Jennifer needs to ensure she is testing her smoke detectors monthly and documenting that accordingly. This worker did provide her a form to use for documentation purposes.

Jennifer needs to ensure that she shall establish procedures related to infectious disease control and handling of any bodily excrement or discharge, or blood. Soiled diapers shall be stored in containers separate from other waste.

Corrective Action Required:

A re-check is not needed at this time. Corrections need to be made by 11/17/23 and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.

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

Lisa can be reached at (319) 334-5900.

Thank you for your service in providing child care in your community.

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 319-429-0749 or cweber@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Christine Weber

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).