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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 05/29/2025. 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(4) **Emergency Plans**

441 IAC 110.8(4) "a" Fire and tornado drills shall be practiced monthly and the provider shall keep documentation evidencing compliance with monthly practice on file for the current year and the previous year.

441 IAC 110.9 Files

441 IAC 110.9(1) **A provider file is maintained and shall contain the following:**

441 IAC 110.9(3) An individual file is maintained for each substitute and contains:

1. Documentation from the department confirming the record checks required under 441 IAC 110.9(1) "a" have been completed and authorizing or conditionally limiting the person's involvement with child care.
2. A completed Form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report. The examination shall include any necessary testing for communicable diseases; a discussion of recommended vaccinations; completed no more than six months prior to approval to assist or be a household member; completed by a licensed medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy, physician assistant or advanced registered nurse practitioner; and repeated at least every three years.
3. Certification of two hours of approved training related to identification and reporting of child abuse as required by Iowa Code section 232.69 within 3 months of employment.
4. Certification in infant and child first aid
5. Certification or other documentation that minimum health and safety training has been completed within 3 months or prior to providing substitute care, whichever occurs first.

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Findings:

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Suggestions/Recommendations:

Child Care Resource & Referral

Roxana: 515-246-3507 Ext. 2387
Work Cell: 515-202-1310

Please do not hesitate to access the free and voluntary consulting services offered by CCR&R to assist with any compliance related needs or questions.

All corrections must be completed by 7/1/2025. No recheck is planned at this time. All corrections will be verified at the time of the next compliance visit.

Corrective Action Required:

Per my compliance visit on 5/29/2025 the following issues need addressed based on the above mentioned rules:
1. Fire and tornado drills need practiced monthly. Record of these drills need kept for inspection purposes.
2. Please make a file for each sub/assistant. The file should have a copy of their physical on the state required form, their CPR training, mandatory reporter training, and essentials. This file will be reviewed at compliance visit.

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 515-339-8262 ellen.abbott@hhs.iowa.gov if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Ellen Abbott

Social Worker II

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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).