03/09/2023

Mary's Little Lambs, LLC
1625 Madison AVE
Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home C conducted on 03/09/2023. 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 110.15(3)	**Facility requirements:**
441 IAC 110.15(3)"a"	The home shall have a minimum of 35 square feet of child-use floor space for each child in care indoors, and a minimum of 50 square feet per child in care outdoors.

Findings:

The provider's home has a lot of extra items childcare and non childcare. Compliance staff does not see that the items create any immediate safety hazards for children in the home. However, this is not the first visit that there have been so many items in the home. The children still have space, but it is less open than in previous years.

Compliance staff and the provider discussed steps to manage the overflow of items from a second home or items previously used in her childcare home.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Corrective Action Required:

The provider will reduce the amount of items in the home that lead to less space available to children in the childcare home.

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

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).