

CHILD CARE COMPLIANT

Name of Provider Jodi Johnson		County Webster	
Care Address 531 S 19th ST		City Fort Dodge	Zip Code 50501
Mailing Address 531 S 19th ST		Mailing City Fort Dodge	Mailing Zip Code 50501
Phone 515-269-0444		Email	

Date of Complaint:	10/29/2024	Date of Visit:	11/01/2024
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Type of Visit			
☐ Scheduled		☒ Unannounced	
		☐ N/A	

Compliance Regulation	
☒ Non-Compliance with Regulations Found	
☐ Compliance with Regulations Found	

Recommendation for Registration:	
☒ No Changes to registration status recommended	
☐ Revocation of Registration	
☐ Cancellation of Child Care Assistance Provider Agreement	

Category of Care:	
☐ Category A	
☒ Category B	
☐ Category C (with no co-provider)	
☐ Category C (with co-provider)	
☐ Non-registered Child Care Home with CCA Provider Agreement	

Complaint Details:	
Did this complaint result in a serious injury?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Did this complaint result in a death to a child?	☐ Yes ☒ No

Summary of Complaint:	
Gerald LNU (babysitter) hits child (age 3) with his belt on child's legs. Gerald is not a household member or an assistant/sub. Possible over numbers	

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Rule Basis and Findings of Complaint(s):

110.8(6) Discipline.

a. Corporal punishment including spanking, shaking, and slapping is not used.

110.6 No more children are in care than the number authorized on the registration certificate.

110.9(2) An individual file is maintained for each staff assistant:

a. Documentation from the Department confirming record checks have been completed and authorizing or limiting the person's involvement with childcare.

I arrived unannounced at the Johnson residence in Fort Dodge on 11/1/24 and shared with Jodi the concerns presented to the Department. Gerald was also present

Jodi told me that Gerald does not live in the residence but is present often in the home during daycare hours when he is not working. He does help out with kids occasionally but for the most part allows Jodi to handle the daycare responsibilities. I informed Jodi that only persons approved by HHS to be assistants can help out with daycare duties or be present during daycare hours. Jodi indicated she would start the process of getting Gerald approved. I informed Gerald that until then, he cannot be present in the home. He said he understood and said he had other things to be doing anyway.

In regard to any of the children being spanked with a belt, Jodi admits that her grandson, who attends daycare there, does occasionally get swatted on the behind, but not any of the other daycare children. Upon further questioning, Jodi admitted that this has occurred during daycare hours and in front of the other daycare children. I pointed out that this is not acceptable, and Jodi acknowledged she understood and agreed not to do it again. Both Jodi and Gerald deny ever using a belt on any of the children.

Jodi states in the afternoon when the school aged kids arrive there are times when she might be over numbers for short periods of time when parents are working late or late picking up their children. When I arrived, Jodi had seven children present. I did a search of the home and found no other children.

Resolution and Action Required:

The use of physical discipline on Jodi's grandson in front of the other daycare child is non-compliance, however, there is not a preponderance of evidence that a belt was used on any of the children. We review appropriate discipline techniques.

Jodi was not over numbers today but admitted with kids coming and going someday she can be. We discussed ways to prevent this from happening again. Jodi was able to verbalize her understanding of the ratios for a category B provider.

Jodi stated she would work on getting Gerald's background check completed before he is present in the home again during daycare hours.

No further action is required at this time.

Consultant's Signature:	Dave Jaehrling	Date of Visit:	11/01/2024
Supervisor Signature:	Sheila Aunspach	Date of Visit:	11/07/2024