Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Deanna Durnin-Blad

Provider Name: Deanna Durnin-Blad

Provider No.: 18381

Address: 1216 Glenny AVE, Waterloo, IA, 50702

E-Mail:

County: Black Hawk

Phone Number: 3192324119

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 2/17/2026

Program Type:

- [ ] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [X] Registered Child Development Home B
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C1
- [ ] Non Registered Child Care Homes accepting CCA

Program Population Served:

- [ ] Infant(0<24 mos)
- [X] Toddler
- [X] PreSchool
- [X] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

Deanna shared that she has been a Registered childcare provider sine 2000. She was rated a level 3 on the prior Quality rating system. She has also been rated a level 3 on the current IQ4K rating system. Deanna shared that due to some family loss a year ago, she did not maintain that but is currently working to re-establish her level 3 quality rating. Deanna shared that she will care for children toddlers, preschoolers, and school-aged children but does not take infants. Deanna does not transport children to and from school or preschool but she does transport children to outings and activities. Deanna primarily uses the lower level of her home for childcare but does use the kitchen and bathroom on the main level. The lower level is set up specifically for childcare (aside from an office she has on that level). Deanna's back yard is fenced in. The does have play structures and other items for outdoor play. Deanna does have 2 dogs but they are primarily on the main level. Deanna did report that one of the dogs might go outside at the same time as the children at times. Deanna does not have an approved assistant or substitute.

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2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

This worker did observe appropriate interactions between Deanna and the children while I was present. The children participated in free play while I was present and they picked up items as I was leaving as they were getting ready to go outside to play. Deanna shared that she tries to get the children outside regularly even in the winter months. She shared that she purchases boots, coats and snowpants for the children so that they have the items they need for safe outdoor play.

Deanna's primary childcare space is set up nicely and offers a wide range of play and activities for the children. Deanna shared that she does conferences with the parents 1-2 times per year and sets goals for the children regarding developmental achievements.

Deanna's documentation was nicely organized into sleeves and a binder making it easy for this worker to review her documentation while she continued to supervise and interact with the children.

Deanna's contract/policies were detailed and nicely written. She had much more than the two minimum required policies. She presented as caring a great deal about quality care and is working to re-establish her level 3 quality rating.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Deanna was in full compliance with all mandated regulatory requirements of a Registered Child Development Home.

If you have questions, you may contact me at 319-429-0749 or via email at christy.weber@hhs.iowa.gov

Thank you for your service in providing childcare in your community.

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

NA

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Notes:
Deanna shared that she does not ever use a swimming pool but will use a sprinkler for other water play. She also reported that she provides waterpark passes for the children and they do attend the local water park in the summer time and also go to the local splash pad.
We did discuss safe sleep policies although Deanna shared that she does not take children under the age of 1.
We did discuss the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time as a Category B provider.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. Deanna had recently reviewed and updated her EPP and she was in compliance. She was encouraged to review it at least yearly to ensure that no changes need to be made.

Recommendations:
Deanna did not yet have anything written in regard to notifying parents in writing that the state does allow parents to submit an exemption for immunizations (either religious or medical) in lieu of the immunization record for each child. This is a new policy effective 7/1/25 so we did discuss this, and she agreed to get that documented accordingly.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 2/17/2026

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory 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.

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 I encourage you to work with Black Hawk County Child Care Resource and referral at 319-233-0804 if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs.