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CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Tammy Forrester

Provider Name: Tammy Forrester

Provider No.: 11532

Address: 402 Bluff ST, Oakland, IA, 51560

E-Mail:

County: Pottawattamie

Phone Number: 4026598717

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 10/16/2025

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:

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

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1. Basic Overview

Tammy Forrester has been providing childcare services in the Oakland area since 1997. She told compliance staff that she likes to keep track of the numbers of children she has cared for over the years, she is up to 168! At this time, she has seven children registered in care. She said that they keep her busy. The current age range is from an infant to 3 years old. The home has a large playroom on the main floor where the children have many options to choose from. The provider reported that overall the childcare is based on free play. The provider does have themes that she will have activities and books that match the theme. The kids enjoy being out playing on the patio that is in the back and on the side of the house, so when the weather is good, they are outside moving around.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Compliance staff was able to observe the provider with the children. The provider is a true multitasker; speaking with compliance staff and maintaining constant supervision of the playroom and living room. When it was necessary, the provider addressed the children in a calm manner. She would help a child find a different toy or she had one child hold her hand for a minute to alleviate a situation. The provider talked to the children in a calm manner and was clear in her words to them.

The provider works with the food program and offers breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Tammy was in full compliance.

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

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Compliance staff discussed safe sleep protocol, emergency preparedness planning and shared legislative updates from July 1, 2025.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Stacy Burris Date: 10/17/2025

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 Judea Robbins 712-579-7850