Health and Human Services

# Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

## CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Gena Plate

Provider Name: Gena Plate

Provider No.: 23907

Address: 2669 248th ST, Oskaloosa, IA, 52577

E-Mail:

County: Mahaska

Phone Number: 6416607917

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☐ Pre-Inspection Date:

☐ Approval Date:

☒ Annual Visit Date: 10/28/2026

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Program Type:

☐ Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)

☐ 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)

☐ Toddler

☐ PreSchool

☐ School Age

☒ All Ages

**1. Basic Overview**

Gena Plate has been a registered childcare provider since November of 2007. Gena is currently a category "C1" Child Development Home Provider. This category allows the provider to have 8 children in care at one time regardless of whether she has an approved substitute or assistant present. There are 2 pet dogs in the Child Development Home. Gena does not provide transportation for families in her care. Gena is available for care Monday through Friday from 6:30am to 4:30pm. Gena does not have an assistant or substitute for her program.

**2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program**

The home has dedicated spaces which are furnished with children's furniture, toys, books, and cribs. There are toys and objects which encourage children to develop large and small motor skills. The providers follow a structured routine which

children can predict their environment and activities. The children have group activities, free-play, and access to media. There is a large backyard. Gena has completed her required trainings as reviewed by the Registration Unit. Gena has completed Safe Sleep training; this worker reviewed the policy with her. Gena will implement the practice when she has children 12 months or younger in her care. Safe Sleep was being practiced when this worker arrived for the compliance check. Gena uses separation and redirection as her primary behavioral interventions when needed. Corporal punishment is not practiced in the Child Development Home. Children in Gena's care will receive regular meals and snacks as appropriate. Gena's provider file and child files are complete, organized and easily accessible.

**3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard**

110.8 (4) b : Procedures are in place for:Evacuation to safely leave the facility,Relocation to a common, safe location after evacuation,Shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where the child is when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue,Lock down to protect children and providers from an external situation,Communication and reunification with families,Continuity of operations, andProcedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs.

1. The Emergency Preparedness Plan needs to be updated and easily accessible. This worker has emailed a fillable Emergency Preparedness Plan template to use. Your CCR&R Worker can assist with this update if needed.
Have procedures in place for the following:
• Evacuation to safely leave the facility
• Relocation to a common, safe location after evacuation
• Shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where you are when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue
• Lock down protocol to protect children and providers from an external situation
• Communication plan and plans for reunification with families
• Plans for the continuity of operations
• Procedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs

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

None.

**5. Special Notes/recommendations**

I encourage you to work with your Child Resource and Referral Worker (Karen Lauer 641-820-1922) with any compliance or training efforts.

Send a copy of the updated Emergency Preparedness Plan within 30 days of receiving this letter.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at 515-601-9469 or jake.aringdale@hhs.iowa.gov.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Jake Aringdale Date: 10/29/2026

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