12/12/2023

Heaven's Little Angels Daycare
1206 Glenwood LN
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Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home B conducted on 12/03/2023. 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 110.8(1) **Facility Requirements**

441 IAC 110.8(1)"h" The home shall have at least one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway. Each smoke detector shall be installed according to manufacturer's recommendations. The provider shall test each smoke detector monthly and keep a record of testing for inspection purposes

441 IAC 110.8(1)"n" Providers shall inform parents of the presence of any pet in the home.

1. Each dog or cat in the household shall undergo an annual health examination by a licensed veterinarian. Acceptable veterinary examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5153, Veterinary Health Certificate. This examination shall verify that the animal's routine immunizations, particularly rabies, are current and that the animal shows no evidence of endoparasites (roundworms, hookworms, whipworms) and ectoparasites (fleas, mites, ticks, lice).

2. Each pet bird in the household shall be purchased from a dealer licensed by the Iowa department of agriculture and land stewardship and shall be examined by a veterinarian to verify that it is free of infectious diseases. Acceptable veterinary examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5153, Veterinary Health Certificate. Children shall not handle pet birds.

3. Aquariums shall be well maintained and installed in a manner that prevents children from accessing the water or pulling over a tank.

4. All animal waste shall be immediately removed from the children's areas and properly disposed of. Children shall not perform any feeding or care of pets or cleanup of pet waste.

5. No animals shall be allowed in the food preparation, food storage, or serving areas during food preparation and serving times

441 IAC 110.8(2) **Use of Outdoor Space**

441 IAC 110.8(2) "b" When there is a swimming or wading pool on the premises:

1. A wading pool shall be drained daily and shall be inaccessible to children when it is

not in use.
2. An aboveground or in-ground swimming pool that is not fenced shall be covered whenever the pool is not in use. The cover shall meet or exceed the ASTM International (formerly known as the American Society for Testing and Materials) specification intended to reduce the risk of drowning by inhibiting access to the water by children under five years of age.
3. An uncovered aboveground swimming pool shall be enclosed with an approved fence that is non-climbable and has a minimum height of four feet.
4. An uncovered in-ground swimming pool shall be enclosed with a fence that is non-climbable and is at least four feet high and flush with the ground.

Findings:

1. 110.8(1)h One of the provider's smoke detectors was not hanging up, she stated she needed new materials to hang it back up.

2. 110.8(1)n The provider is currently watching her son's dog and does not have an annual exam or shot records on file.

3. 110.8(2)b The provider has an above-ground swimming pool in her back yard. The back yard is fenced but the area where the gate goes is still under construction. The pool is not surrounded by a 4 ft., non-climbable fence and does not have an approved, ASTM pool cover.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

1. The provider needs to have a smoke detector in each child occupied room.

2. The provider needs to have an annual pet physical for all pets residing in the home.

3. The provider needs to have the above ground pool either: surrounded by a 4 ft., non climbable fence, covered by an ASTM standard pool cover or drain by the pool. One of these above options needs to be completed by 4/1/2023. A safety plan was written with these expectations.

Corrective Action Required:

A re-check is not needed at this time, corrections need to be made by 12/31/2023 and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.

The pool must meet safety standards by 4/1/2024.

I encourage you to work with Heather Bloome from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.

Heather can be reached at: 563-940-7971.

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 319-800-4702 or hbailey@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Holly Bailey

Social Worker II

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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).