Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Candace Nielsen

Provider Name: Candace Nielsen

Provider No.: 16042

Address: 336 E 3rd ST, Newell, IA, 50568

E-Mail:

County: Buena Vista

Phone Number: 7122991920

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 6/4/2026

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)
- [ ] Toddler
- [ ] PreSchool
- [ ] School Age
- [X] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

An unannounced compliance visit was completed on 6/4/26 at the category B child development home of Candace Nielsen. As a category B home, Candace is allowed 8 full time children and 4 additional school aged children for a maximum of two hours without an assistant being present. Candace currently does not have any approved assistants. Candace has been providing care for 28 years, 25 of those years registered through the state. Candace provides care for children of all ages. She accepts state child care assistance. She is Child Net certified, which requires additional trainings. She participates with the food program which guarantees balanced and nutritious meals and snacks.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Candace has a plethora of experience allowing her a good understanding of child development and behaviors. Candace

provides a relaxed environment for her learn through play program. She tries to stick to a routine as much as possible. Candace says that she is hands on with the children and considers them family. Candace described having good communication with parents, including texting and sending pictures through out the day.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Each smoke detector is tested monthly, and a record is kept for inspection purposes.
- Tests need to resume and documented starting in July. This will be checked at next years visit.
All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites.
Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate, is on file.
-Ruthie and Willie both needs updated exams. This will be checked at next years compliance visit.
Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept on file for the current year and previous year.
- Drills and documentation needs to restart as of July and done monthly. This will be checked at next years visit.
110.9 (1) a : Within six months of becoming registered, a physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, for all household members over the age of 18. Physical exams should be repeated every three years.
- Candace and Larry need new physical exams.
110.9 (4) c : A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment.
110.9 (4) d : For infants and preschoolers: An admission physical examination, on the first day of attendance, including past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary. The date of the exam is not more than 12 months before the child's first day of attendance.
110.9 (4) e : For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.
110.9 (4) g : A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state Department of Public Health.
110.9 (4) i : Documentation signed by the parent which names persons authorized to pick up the child, their telephone number, and relationship to the child.
110.9 (4) j : Written permission from the parent(s) for their child to attend activities away from the child development home
- Please go through all child files and update and necessary.

The above need to be completed by 8/1/26.

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

5. Special Notes/recommendations

2026 Targeted Compliance of Emergency Preparedness Plans were up to date for Candace's current operations.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Dave Jaehrling Date: 7/2/2026

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