Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Brenda Anderson

Provider Name: Brenda Anderson

Provider No.: 17188

Address: 212 Beautiful ST, Tama, IA, 52339

E-Mail:

County: Tama

Phone Number: 6417513910

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 1/6/2026

Program Type:

- [X] 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
- [X] All Ages

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1. Basic Overview

I conducted a compliance visit with Registered Child Development Home Category A provider Brenda Anderson on 1/6/2026. Brenda has been involved with child care for 28 years. Brenda continues using the main floor only of her ranch style slab home. (No basement.) The children primarily use the 3 season porch and living room/kitchen space. Brenda has no current HHS-approved substitutes or assistants. She had 2 children in care during the time of our visit and currently has a total of 8 children in care, several being part time. Brenda has a fenced in back yard used as her outside play area. Brenda has one pet bird, with an adequate vet statement on file. She also has 4 dogs who need a current vet statement to have on file. Brenda is due to renew her registration in July 2026.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Brenda described her strength as a provider in the way she treats the children in her care like family. She describes her curriculum as lots of free play mixed with activities including coloring, blocks, and reading. The children have outside time as weather permits. Brenda has a lot of experience, and currently keeps her numbers low allowing her to provide good attention to the children present. She participates in the Food Program to enhance the nutrition of her meals and snacks.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8 (1) f : A safety barrier surrounds any heating stove or heating element, in order to prevent burns.
- Brenda was using a space heater on her 3 season porch that was hot to the touch. We identified a space behind a natural barrier that would eliminate access to the children from the heater. She unplugged the heater, and will move it to the better location once it has cooled.

Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate, is on file.
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.
- Brenda has 4 dogs who need a current vet statement on file. These need to be completed using the State form I shared a copy of and need to be renewed every year.

The hot heater needs to be inaccessible to children at all times. The dog statements need to be in place by 3/31/2026 and will be reviewed during our next visit. No re-check is required at Brenda's operation.

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

The 2026 targeted compliance of the Emergency Preparedness Plan was conducted and Brenda was found to be in compliance. Her plan was consistent with her current operation.

I encourage Brenda to work with Janey Schmitt from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.
Janey can be reached at: (563) 286-0694

Brenda has no current infants under 12 months of age in care. We reviewed safe infant sleeping policies for future reference.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow Date: 1/28/2026

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