Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Katherine Tieskoetter

Provider Name: Katherine Tieskoetter

Provider No.: 51542

Address: PO BOX 144, Ossian, IA, 52161

E-Mail:

County: Winneshiek

Phone Number: 5634194534

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 5/1/2026

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

Katherine shared that began providing childcare in 2019 and she became a registered childcare provider in 2021. She was previously rated level 1 on the IQ4K quality rating system but noted that she did let that lapse. She does not participate in the Food Program. She did share that she is willing to care for children from the ages of infant through school age. Katherine primarily provides childcare in the lower level of her home. She does use the main level for eating and for one child to nap. She does have monitors for close supervision. Katherine has a partially fenced yard. The yard was well maintained. Katherine does not have any pets. Katherine does not have an approved substitute or assistant.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Upon this worker's arrival, there was one infant sleeping and this worker did observe that Katherine was abiding by safe

sleep policies.

The children were active and a bit wound up due to this worker's presence, but this worker did observe Katherine to appropriately supervise and redirect the children as needed. This worker observed the children to be involved in free play while I was present. Katherine had a variety of toys and activities available to the children.

Katherine's documentation was nicely organized into a binder and individual folders/sleeves for each child and other required documentation. That made it easy for this worker to review for compliance while she was able to continue to supervise and interact with the children.

Katherine's policies/handbook was very detailed and nicely written. It included much more than the required minimum.

Katherine did have good questions for this worker and presented as wanting to ensure that she is doing everything per Regulations.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.9(1)a. A physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, for all household members over the age of 18. Physial exams are repeated every 3 years.
Katherine's physical had expired last year.
*Katherine needs to obtain an updated physical for herself and have it documented on the approved HHS form.

A re-check is not needed at this time. The above corrections should be made within 3 weeks (by 5/22/26) and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.

If you have questions, you may contact me at 319-429-0749 or via email at christy.weber@hhs.iowa.gov

Thank you for your service in providing childcare in your community.

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

NA

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Notes:
Katherine shared that she does not transport the childcare children.
Katherine shared that she might use a blow up pool at times. We did discuss pool safety.
We did discuss safe sleep policies.
We did discuss the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time as a Category B provider.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. Katherine was in compliance with her EPP.
She was encouraged to review it at least yearly to ensure that no changes need to be made.

Recommendations:
Katherine did not yet have anything written in regard to notifying parents in writing that the state does allow parents to submit an exemption for immunizations (either religious or medical) in lieu of the immunization record for each child. This is a new expectation for providers effective 7/1/25 so we did discuss this, and she agreed to get that documented accordingly.

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6. ADDENDUMS:

- Addendum1: On 5/7/26 Katherine notified this worker that she did in fact have an updated/current physical for herself and she did send pictorial verification to this HHS worker. That was not the one this worker observed on the date of her visit, but she does in fact have a current one.

This Addendum is approved by supervisor on 5/7/2026

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 5/1/2026

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 I encourage you to work with Terri Orr with Child Care Resource and Referral if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs. Terri can be reached at 319-433-7750