



Health and
Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Brenda Eckrich

Provider Name: Brenda Eckrich

Provider No.: 11481

Address: PO BOX 404, Neola, IA, 51559

E-Mail:

County: Pottawattamie

Phone Number: 4026399147

- ☐ Pre-Inspection Date:
- ☐ Approval Date:
- ☒ Annual Visit Date: 3/31/2026
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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



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1. Basic Overview

Brenda Eckrich has been providing childcare services for over 45 years. Co-provider Shyla Eckrich has been working with Brenda for 9 years. They have a two-provider childcare home. There were 11 children in care during the visit to the home. Some were watching a movie in the living room while others were watching a show in the dining room. The providers were preparing lunch and had the shows during this time. The providers continued to work to get lunch on the table and spoke with compliance staff. The provider two meals daily and a snack for the children. Their day is mostly free play with the children. They will go outside to the back yard for running and play when the weather is cooperative.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Compliance staff observed both providers with the children. The providers use redirection with the children to address an issue. They will suggest alternate toys or area of the living room to continue playing.

They have activity buckets to keep the children busy for indoor play. These are rotated out every few weeks to keep some toys fresh for play.

The providers work well together to keep the children busy and provide safety to the children while in their care.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.9 (3) c : Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within three months of employment.

**Compliance staff was not able to see a training for one substitute on I Power. At the compliance visit, the provider did not have an updated copy of the training. She will get one from this substitute for the file. This will be reviewed at the next compliance visit.

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

5. Special Notes/recommendations

2026 targeted compliance measure: Emergency Preparedness Plan. The provider has a completed EP plan that identifies planned actions for evacuation, shelter in place, lockdown, communication and reunification. The plan also addresses continuity of care in the event of a disaster at the location of the childcare.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Stacy Burris

Date: 4/3/2026

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 Judea Robbins 712-579-7850