Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Cheryl James

Provider Name: Cheryl James

Provider No.: 45534

Address: 1427 44th ST, Des Moines, IA, 50311

E-Mail:

County: Polk

Phone Number: 5159911115

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 7/2/2025

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

Cheryl has been a non-registered and registered provider since 2015. Cheryl is currently a category "B" Child Development Home Provider and works with all ages of children. Cheryl currently has one assistant allowing her to have 8 preschool children and an additional 4 school aged children when she has an assistant. Cheryl currently has 10 children enrolled in her program. She has 5 school-aged, 4 pre-school aged, and one infant. Cheryl participates with the Food Program.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

When this worker arrived to the Child Development Home Cheryl allowed entry and this worker was able to see all areas of the home. This worker did not observe any safety concerns during the walk through. The furnace and the water heater were free from any combustible items around the units. The children were engaged in various activates such as using electronic

devices and eating a snack. An assistant was holding the 3 month old infant. This worker questioned Cheryl and the present assistant about Safe Sleep Policy, both were able to describe Safe Sleep Policy and the CDH has a crib for the baby when she sleeps.

Cheryl identified the CDH is very nutrition aware and they participate with the Food Program. Cheryl identified the children get meals and snack throughout the day and food is not used as a punishment. Cheryl prides herself on the children having access to fresh food.

The environment in the Child Development Home appeared to be caring and supportive. Children approached Cheryl several times to ask questions and get permission to do an activity. Cheryl responded with a calm and appropriate voice. Cheryl said she likes to provide a nurturing and caring environment for the children.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

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.
Within six months of becoming registered, children 18 years of age or younger residing in the household must have:Admission physical exam report.Immunization certificate.For school age: Documentation of physical exam completed at time of school enrollment or since that time.
110.9 (2) b : Within six months of approval, a Physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, which is repeated at least every three years.

Household members Elton, Arianna, and Cherissa need to get a DHHS Medical Form completed as they are 18 years or older.

Cheryl needs to add Cherissa as an assistant, this worker observed her caring for the infant during the compliance check. Cheryl said she would contact registration and add her as an assistant.

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Cheryl identified in May 2025 she participated in a 2 hour training with the Food Program. We discussed Cheryl's renewal time is in November 2025 and she can get support with ensuring she and her assistant has their required trainings. This support would come from her Child Care Resource and Referral Worker (Heather Sheesley 515-360-7308) who can assist with any training or compliance efforts.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Jake Aringdale Date: 7/7/2025

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