09/20/2024

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Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the pre-inspection visit at your Registered Child Development Home A conducted on 09/17/2024. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. You are not a participant in the voluntary Quality Rating and Improvement System. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of the visit:

441 IAC 110.8(1) **Facility Requirements**

441 IAC 110.8(1)"h" The home shall have at least one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway. Each smoke detector shall be installed according to manufacturer's recommendations. The provider shall test each smoke detector monthly and keep a record of testing for inspection purposes

441 IAC 110.8(4) **Emergency Plans**

441 IAC 110.8(4) Emergency Plans: plans in case of man-made or natural disaster shall be written and posted by the primary and secondary exits. The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes and tornado and flood shelter areas.

441 IAC 110.8(4) "b" The provider must have procedures in place for the following:

1. evacuation to safely leave the facility
2. relocation to a common, safe location after the evacuation
3. shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where you are when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue
4. lock down protocol to protect children and providers from an external situation
5. communication plan and plans for reunification with families
6. continuity of operations plans
7. Procedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs

441 IAC 110.9 Files

441 IAC 110.9(1) **A provider file is maintained and shall contain the following:**

441 IAC 110.9(1)"a" A physician's examination report for the provider and all members of the provider's household aged 18 years or older. Acceptable physical examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report. All children residing in the household

must have medical documentation outlined in 110.9(4) “d”, 110.9(4) “f”, and 110.9(4) “g”

Findings:

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relocation to a common, safe location after the evacuation
shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where you are when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue
lock down protocol to protect children and providers from an external situation
communication plan and plans for reunification with families
continuity of operations plans
Procedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Child Care Resource & Referral

Heather: Work Cell: 515-360-7308

Please do not hesitate to access the free and voluntary consulting services offered by CCR&R to assist with any compliance related needs or questions.

All corrections must be completed by 10/31/2024. Please contact this worker on or prior to 10/31/2024 for a recheck. Failure to do this, will result in a denial.

Corrective Action Required:

Per my pre inspection visit on 9/17/2024 the following issues need addressed based on the above mentioned rules:
1. One smoke detector was beeping at the time of my arrival. Please change the battery in this smoke detector.
2. Please hang your emergency exit plan signs. Emergency Plans: plans in case of man-made or natural disaster shall be written and posted by the primary and secondary exits. The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes and tornado and flood shelter areas.
3. Your children (household members) need updated physicals. These physicals can be completed on any form from a doctor's office.
4. Please print off your Emergency preparedness plan. A copy of this needs kept in your file.

Non-compliance with any of the mandated 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.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 515-339-8262 eabbott@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Ellen Abbott

Social Worker II

Sheila Aunspach

Social Work Supervisor

Always Remember:

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 877-216-8481

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you can access the approved training by going to http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child_Care/Professional_Development.html

You may also access training at: https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/trainingregistry/

All providers need to maintain compliance with rules set out in Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, which includes: 441 IAC 110.5(1): Check with the appropriate authorities to determine how the following local, state, or federal laws apply to you: • Zoning code • Building code • Fire code • Business license • State and federal income tax • Unemployment insurance • Worker's Compensation • Minimum wage and hour requirements • OSHA • Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).