Health and Human Services

# Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

## CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Tammy Barton

Provider Name: Tammy Barton

Provider No.: 27768

Address: 612 3rd AVE NW, Altoona, IA, 50009

E-Mail:

County: Polk

Phone Number: 5157706595

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- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 2/17/2026

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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**

Tammy Barton has been a registered Child Development Home Provider since September of 2009. Tammy is a category "B" CDH Provider. This allows her to have 8 preschool children in her care at one time. Tammy can have 8 preschool children and 4 additional school aged children for a total of 12 at one time alone for 2 hours. If there are more than 12 children in the home for over 2 hours an assistant needs to be present. Tammy provides transportation for families in her care. There is one pet dog in the home. Tammy's hours of availability for care are Monday through Friday from 7am to 4:30pm. Tammy currently has one assistant in her program.

**2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program**

Tammy identified the following as her program's strengths: Tammy provides a clean, safe, loving environment for the

children in her care. Tammy's care area is furnished with age-appropriate activities, objects, and toys for the children in her care to explore and interact with when in her care. Tammy identified she communicates with the families effectively for their children's needs. Tammy has group activities such and Arts/Crafts or reading time. Tammy also encourages free play in her structured day with the children. Tammy has completed Safe Sleep training and implements the practice when she has a child 12 months or younger in her care. Tammy uses Quiet Time and redirection as her main behavioral interventions. Corporal punishment is not practiced in the Child Development Home. Tammy participates with the Food Program, children in her care receive regular meals and snacks as appropriate. Tammy's paperwork is organized, complete, and easily accessible.

**3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard**

110.8 (4) b : Procedures are in place for:Evacuation to safely leave the facility,Relocation to a common, safe location after evacuation,Shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where the child is when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue,Lock down to protect children and providers from an external situation,Communication and reunification with families,Continuity of operations, andProcedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs.
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.

1. An Emergency Preparedness Plan needs to be readily available. I emailed you a template of the Emergency Preparedness Plan to complete and update. Please text me a copy of the plan within 30 days of receiving this letter.

2. Your assistant needs to have a DHHS Medical Form completed by a qualified medical professional.

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

None.

**5. Special Notes/recommendations**

I encourage you to work with your Child Care Resource and Referral Worker (Heather Sheesley 515-360-7308) with any training or compliance efforts.

The above corrections need to be completed by 4/20/2026 and will be reviewed on your next annual compliance check unless otherwise noted.

If you have any questions regarding this compliance letter, please contact me at 515-601-9469 or jake.aringdale@hhs.iowa.gov.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Jake Aringdale Date: 2/17/2026

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