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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 08/02/2019. 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)“i” Smoking and the use of tobacco products shall be prohibited at all times in the home and in every vehicle in which children receiving care in the home are transported. Smoking and the use of tobacco products shall be prohibited in the outdoor play area during the home’s hours of operation. Nonsmoking signs shall be posted at every entrance of the child care home and in every vehicle used to transport children. All signs shall include:

1. The telephone number for reporting complaints, and
2. The Internet address of the department of public health ([www.iowasmokefreeair.gov](http://www.iowasmokefreeair.gov))

**441 IAC 110.8(3) Medications and Hazardous Materials**

441 IAC 110.8(3)“b” A first-aid kit shall be available and easily accessible whenever children are in the child development home, in the outdoor play area, in vehicles used to transport children, and on field trips. The kit shall be sufficient to address first aid related to minor injury or trauma and shall be stored in an area inaccessible to children. The kit shall, at a minimum, include adhesive bandages, bottled water, disposable tweezers, and disposable plastic gloves.

**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

Findings:

Per our 8/2/2019 pre-inspection visit, the following corrections need to be made before you can be approved as a registered child care provider:

1. You need to post your no smoking sign next to your front door.
2. You need to obtain a portable first aid kit which contains all of the items listed in the description above.
3. You need to post an emergency/disaster plan and map next to your front door. This plan should include a map of your apartment and clearly mark your fire/tornado exits and locations.
4. You need to develop and print off a working copy of an Emergency Preparedness Plan for your new location. I encourage you to work with Erin Casey from Child Care Resource and Referral on this project. Erin can be reached at: (515) 246-3577

Suggestions for Improvement:

Recommendation:

All above corrections must be made before you can be approved as a registered provider. You will need to contact me by 8/30/2019 to schedule a re-check of your home. Failure to contact me to schedule a re-check by this date could result in a denial of your application.

[ ] Is the recommendation to terminate a provider agreement or revoke a registration?

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.

Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at (515) 268-7106 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Earl Crow

**Social Worker II**

Jone Staley

**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](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).