

**Iowa Department of Human Services  
CHILD CARE CENTER EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE**

**Name of Center:** 4C's Home Ties Child Care Center **Enrollment:** 16 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 24279

**Street:** 405 Myrtle Ave **City:** Iowa City Iowa **Zip:** 52246 **County:** Johnson

**Mailing Address:** 1500 Sycamore St, Iowa City, IA, 52240

**Director's Name:** Alysia Erritt **Phone Number:** 319-341-0050

**On-Site Supervisor(s):** Amanda Nelson **E-Mail:** iowa4cshometies@yahoo.com

**Date(s) of Visit:** 09-22-2017

**Licensing Visit**  **Unannounced Visit**  **Off Year Visit**  **Administrative Change**

**LICENSING VISITS**

**New Application**  **Re-Application**  **X NA**

**Signed Application (470-0722) Received** **Yes**  **No**  **X NA** **Date Signed:**

**FIRE INSPECTION** **State**  **Local**  **NA** **Is Fire Inspection Approved?**  **Yes**  **No**  **NA**

**Date Inspected:** 07-06-2017

**Comments :** Does Comply.

**LICENSE TYPE:**  **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

**Financial Type:** Profit  Non-Profit  NA

**Accreditation:** Accredited  NAEYC  NSACA  Other  NA

**Program Serves:**  Infants (0-23 mo.)  2 Years  Preschool-Age  School-Age

Get-Well  Evening Care  Special Needs

**SCHEDULE:**  Year-round  School-Year  Summer Only

<b>HOURS:</b>	<u>Year-round</u>	<u>School-Year</u>	<u>Summer Only</u>		
LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	16	4	12		32
Summer					0

**QRS Rating:** N/A

<b>RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:</b>	
X	<b>FULL</b> license from 09-01-2016 to 09-01-2018
	<b>PROVISIONAL</b> license from
	<b>DENIAL</b> of initial application
	<b>SUSPENSION</b> of license
	<b>REVOCACTION</b> of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown

Date: 09-22-2017

**I. IF CURRENT LICENSE IS PROVISIONAL, IDENTIFY THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS**

N/A

**II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:**

4cs Home Ties child care center has been in operation since.

They provide child care for approximately 16 children.

The center is located inside the First Mennonite Church.

The director is Alysia Erritt. She has a Bachelor's degree in Social Work. She started at the center in 11/2016.

The on-site supervisor is Amanda Nelson. She has a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education. She has worked at the center since 2006.

An approved by the city fire marshal inspection was completed on 7/6/17.

On 9/22/17 all program space was observed. The center was in ratio.

**III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:**

4Cs Home Ties helps families in crisis by providing quality, short-term child care. Homeless and near homeless families, as well as those participating in Prelude, United Action for Youth, Community Mental Health programs, or other assistance programs, are eligible to receive up to 3 months of free child care so that they can:

- Search for housing
- Search for and interview for work
- Continue with high school or college coursework

The center participates with "Table to Table" to ensure children are offered fresh fruits and vegetables.

The center is on the Food Program and offers a garden in their play area.

**IV. IDENTIFY THE ASPECTS OF OPERATION THAT FALL BELOW THE STANDARDS REVIEWED:**

109.9(1)b: All files contain:A signed copy of DHS Criminal History Record Check, Form B, that was submitted prior to employment. A copy of Request for Child Abuse Information.Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted.Copies of national criminal history check results.Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.

- Number not in compliance: 1staff did not have a National Record Check.

109.9(1)d: All files contain a pre-employment physical exam report completed within six months prior to hire and at least

every three years. Physical exams shall be documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report.

-Number not in compliance: 2

109.9(2)b: All files contain sufficient information and authorization to allow the center to secure emergency medical and dental services at any time child is in center's care.

-Information lacking: -One file was not signed and dated by the parent/One file was missing a dentist

109.10(1)a: Preschool (for children five years and younger not enrolled in school): Physical exam report submitted within 30 days of admission, was obtained no more than 12 months prior to admission, is signed by a licensed MD, DO, PA, or ARNP, and contains health history; present health status including allergies, medications, and acute/chronic conditions; and recommendations for continued care if necessary.

-Number not in compliance: 1

109.10(1)c: If a child's religious affiliation is contrary to medical treatment or immunization requirements, the file shall contain a notarized statement.

-Number not in compliance: 1

109.10(3)a: All medications shall be stored in original containers with physician or pharmacist directions. Labels should be intact and stored so they are inaccessible to children and public. Nonprescription medications shall be labeled with the child's name.

-Nonprescription medication was not labeled with the child's name.

-Medication was accessible to the children under the changing table, in the ones restroom and under the two-five year old classroom.

109.10(3)c: For ongoing, long term medications, authorization shall be obtained for a period not to exceed the duration of prescription.

-Expired medication must be returned to the parents for proper disposal.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade.

-Choking hazards were accessible throughout the center.

-Brown substance was on the wall by the diaper trash can.

-Cleaning supplies under the changing table, in the utility closet and on the kitchen counter were accessible to children. Cleaning supplies must be stored inaccessible to children at all times.

-Broken toys must be removed from the center.

-Rubber tiles that are uneven outside pose a tripping hazard (under and around the playhouse) and should be repaired or removed.

-The center does not have a disinfectant.

## **V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. The center is directed to correct the items listed in Section IV. The director gave me a verbal commitment that the noted rule violations would be promptly corrected. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (563-263-9302 or hbrown@dhs.state.ia.us) so that we may discuss the issue. If necessary, I can make a notation in your record. You may also send a letter that will be included in your licensing file noting any disagreement you may have with this report. If you have the need for any additional information discussed during my visit, please contact me and I will forward the information to you. Thank you.

Note: If you are a member of the general public, there may be additional information contained in the public file. You may contact the DHS Licensing Consultant to inquire.

I encourage you to contact your local nurse consultant. Child Care Nurse Consultants work with child care and early education businesses. Businesses may call or send questions to a child care nurse consultant about health and safety policies, health programs, health of personnel, and specific child health or safety issues. Please visit the following website to find out who your consultant is: <http://idph.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants>

I encourage you to contact Child Care Resource and Referral. They offer centers assistance with meeting the DHS regulations, QRS, infant/toddler concerns, room arrangement and environment, developmental concerns, Best Practice

information, CDA assistance, or any questions or concerns you may have. Please visit the following website to find out who your consultant is: [http://www.iowaccrr.org/who\\_we\\_are/region\\_5/](http://www.iowaccrr.org/who_we_are/region_5/)

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