Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Ruth Martinez

Provider Name: Ruth Martinez

Provider No.: 19590

Address: 1729 Wilkes AVE, Davenport, IA, 52804

E-Mail:

County: Scott

Phone Number: 5639499286

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 1/21/2026

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

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1. Basic Overview

Ruth has been providing child care for approximately 24 years now. Ruth provides care for children aged 1 and up for first shift (approximately 6:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. M-F). Ruth has experience dealing with children of all ages and numerous behavioral challenges. Ruth's home contains age appropriate toys for all ages of children.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Ruth believes her greatest strength in caring for children is her high level of patience. Ruth is committed to children in her care and does not want to 'give up' on them even if their behaviors are often difficult and challenging. This worker has observed Ruth using many skills in de-escalating behaviors and keeping all children in care safe. Ruth utilizes her available resources, including agency support such as Child Care Resource and Referral. Ruth reaches out for assistance or support as needed and communicates well with parents, agencies, and HHS.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Number for each child’s parent, a person who can be reached when the parent cannot and child’s physician is written on paper and readily accessible by the working telephone.
110.8 (1) h : Has a minimum of one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway.
Each smoke detector has been installed according to manufacturer’s recommendations.
110.8 (1) q : The provider has written policies about responding to health-related emergencies.
Infants are placed on firm mattress with tight fitted sheet that meets CPSC standards.
110.9 (4) e : For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.

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

Ruth needs to add one child to her emergency number list. Ruth texted this worker on 1/21/26 with her updated emergency numbers.
Ruth needs to put smoke detector up in the main level of the home. Ruth texted this worker on 1/21/26 with a picture of the installed smoke detector.
Ruth could not locate her health related emergency policy. This was completed during the visit.
Ruth has a pack and play for one infant to sleep in, however, does not have a tight fitted sheet for it. Child currently not in care due to illness, however, Ruth will get sheet for when the child returns to care.
Of the child files reviewed, one preschool child needs updated physical.

Ruth needs to send verification of the remaining above items to Kathy by 3/9/2026. Items can be emailed to kathy.huinker@hhs.iowa.gov or texted to 563-949-6971.

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Targeted Compliance: Emergency Preparedness Plan. A thorough review of Ruth's EPP was completed on this date. Ruth's plan remains up to date and contains accurate information, including evacuation locations.

Ruth is currently experiencing some challenging behaviors in one child. Ruth has asked for assistance from Child Care Resource and Referral so she can maintain the child in her child development home environment.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Kathy Huinker Date: 1/22/2026

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