Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Christine Foth

Provider Name: Christine Foth

Provider No.: 22060

Address: 422 5th ST SE, Mason City, IA, 50401

E-Mail:

County: Cerro Gordo

Phone Number: 6414242578

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 2/19/2026

Program Type:

- [ ] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home B
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C
- [X] 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

I conducted a compliance visit with Registered Child Development Home Category C-1 provider Christine Foth on 2/19/2026. Christine has been involved in child care for 38 years. She continues using the basement only in her 2 story home. Christine has an egress window and step system in place as a second exit. Christine had 5 children present during our visit, and is caring for 9 total children at this time. (Several are part time.) Christine has no current HHS-approved substitutes or assistants. She has a fenced side yard for her outside play area. She has 2 dogs and one cat, all with current vet statements. Christine is due to renew her registration 10/31/2027.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Christine has 38 years of experience. She describes her strengths as good communication, her ability to avert from stressful situations, and being able to redirect children before discipline is necessary. Christine describes her curriculum as maintaining a good routine offering lots of arts, crafts, learning activities, and significant free play. The children were participating in a dance video during my visit. The kids have regular outside time as weather permits. Christine participates in the Food Program to enhance the nutrition of her meals and snacks.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8 : Conditions in the home shall be safe, sanitary, and free from hazards.
- Christine needs to clear off the steps leading to her basement egress window, allowing better access to the window.

110.9 (4) e : For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.
110.9 (4) g : A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state Department of Public Health.
- Christine needs to obtain a current physical and immunization sheet for one of her children's files.

The above corrections need to be in place by 4/30/2026 and will be reviewed during our next visit.

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

The 2026 targeted compliance for the Emergency Preparedness Plan was conducted. Christine was in compliance with a plan consistent with her current operation.

I encourage Christine to work with Kathy Lloyd from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.
Kathy can be reached at: (319) 231-9405

Christine has no current infants under 12 months of age in care. We reviewed safe infant sleeping for future reference.

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Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow Date: 2/26/2026

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