07/28/2023

Peterson Daycare
211 Marietta ST
Burlington, IA 52601

Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home B conducted on 07/26/2023. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. Your home is rated a 4 on 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)" h" The home shall have at least one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway. Each smoke detector shall be installed according to manufacturer's recommendations. The provider shall test each smoke detector monthly and keep a record of testing for inspection purposes

441 IAC 110.8(2) **Use of Outdoor Space**

441 IAC 110.8(2) "b" When there is a swimming or wading pool on the premises:

1. A wading pool shall be drained daily and shall be inaccessible to children when it is not in use.

2. An aboveground or in-ground swimming pool that is not fenced shall be covered whenever the pool is not in use. The cover shall meet or exceed the ASTM International (formerly known as the American Society for Testing and Materials) specification intended to reduce the risk of drowning by inhibiting access to the water by children under five years of age.

3. An uncovered aboveground swimming pool shall be enclosed with an approved fence that is non-climbable and has a minimum height of four feet.

4. An uncovered in-ground swimming pool shall be enclosed with a fence that is non-climbable and is at least four feet high and flush with the ground.

441 IAC 110.8(4) **Emergency Plans**

441 IAC 110.8(4) "a" Fire and tornado drills shall be practiced monthly and the provider shall keep documentation evidencing compliance with monthly practice on file for the current year and the previous year.

441 IAC 110.9 Files

441 IAC 110.9(1) **A provider file is maintained and shall contain the following:**

441 IAC 110.9(1)“ b” (1) I-PoWeR records or certificates verifying required training completion:

Prior to registration:

- minimum health and safety training, approved by the Department, in required content areas
- Iowa’s Mandatory Child Abuse Reporter Training

Prior to registration: First Aid and Cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Provider shall maintain a valid certificate indicating date of training and expiration date.

During each two year registration period, the provider shall receive a minimum of 24 hours of training from approved content areas. A provider shall not use a specific training or class to meet minimum continuing education requirements more than one time every five years

A provider who submits documentation from a child care resource and referral agency that the provider has completed the Iowa Program for Infant/Toddler Care (IA PITC), ChildNet, or Beyond Business Basics training series may use those hours to fulfill a maximum of two years’ training requirements, not including first-aid and mandatory reporter training

441 IAC 110.9(3) An individual file is maintained for each substitute and contains:

1. Documentation from the department confirming the record checks required under 441 IAC 110.9(1) “a” have been completed and authorizing or conditionally limiting the person’s involvement with child care.
2. A completed Form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report. The examination shall include any necessary testing for communicable diseases; a discussion of recommended vaccinations; completed no more than six months prior to approval to assist or be a household member; completed by a licensed medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy, physician assistant or advanced registered nurse practitioner; and repeated at least every three years.
3. Certification of two hours of approved training related to identification and reporting of child abuse as required by Iowa Code section 232.69 within 3 months of employment.
4. Certification in infant and child first aid
5. Certification or other documentation that minimum health and safety training has been completed within 3 months or prior to providing substitute care, whichever occurs first.

Findings:

1. 110.8(1)h The provider only has one smoke detector for the main living area in the home. The provider needs to hang up the smoke detector to the top of the attic stairs. The provider hasn't recorded testing of smoke detectors in 2023.

2. 110.8(2)b The provider's gate to enter the above ground pool was unscrewed and unsecured.

3. 110.8(4)a The provider has not documented fire/tornado drills in 2023.

4. 110.9(1)b(1) Provider File:
   - The provider's Mandatory Reporter Training expired in January 2023.
   - The provider's First Aid/CPR expired in May 2023.

5. 110.9(3)c&d Substitute File:
   - The provider was unable to locate the substitutes (Micah) Mandatory Reporter Training certificate.
   - The provider's substitute (Micah) First Aid/CPR expired in May 2023.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

1. The provider needs to add a smoke detector to the dining room area. (The provider texted a photo of this completed on 7/28/23).

2. The provider needs to hang up the smoke detector at the top of the attic stairs. (The provider texted a photo of this completed on 7/28/23).

3. The provider needs to test all smoke detectors monthly and keep documentation.

4. The provider needs to assure that the fence surrounding the above-ground pool is locked and inaccessible for daycare children. (The provider texted a photo of the gate screwed back in and secured on 7/27/23).

5. The provider needs to practice fire/tornado drills monthly and keep documentation.

6. The provider needs to renew Mandatory Reporter certificate.

7. The provider needs to renew First Aid/CPR certificate. (The provider reports that she is scheduled to take First Aid/CPR on 8/19/23).

8. The provider texted substitute Micah's Mandatory Reporter certificate, which is current and up to date.

9. The provider reports that substitute Micah is also scheduled to take First Aid/CPR on 8/19/23.

Corrective Action Required:

A re-check is not needed at this time, corrections need to be made by 8/1/23 and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.

I encourage you to work with Tabitha Copeland from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.

Tabitha can be reached at: 563-362-8228

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.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 319-800-4702 or hbailey@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Holly Bailey

Social Worker II

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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

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).