



Health and
Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Cynthia Knights

Provider Name: Cynthia Knights

Provider No.: 18006

Address: 2553 Durham AVE, State Center, IA,
50247

E-Mail:

County: Marshall

Phone Number: 6417514555

- ☐ Pre-Inspection Date:
- ☐ Approval Date:
- ☒ Annual Visit Date: 4/9/2026
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Program Type:

- ☐ Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- ☒ 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
- ☒ All Ages



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1. Basic Overview

I conducted a compliance visit with Registered Child Development Home Category B provider Cynthia Knights on 4/9/2026. Cynthia has been involved in child care for 32 years. She continues using the main floor only of her ranch style home. Her home is in a rural setting, though Cynthia has a public rural water supplier for her drinking water. She had 5 children present during the time of our visit, and has a total of 8 in care at this time. Cynthia has no HHS-approved substitutes or assistants at this time. Her home has a very open floor plan and remains clean and clutter free. She has a fenced in section of her back yard for the outside play area. Cynthia has one cat and has a current vet statement on file. She is due to renew her registration effective 1/31/2027.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Cynthia is a very experienced provider. She describes her strengths as being very organized, empathy and kindness towards the children, and good communication with her parents. Cynthia displays excellent control of her environment. The children responded well to her directions during our visit. Her curriculum consists mostly of free play mixed with traditional activities such as coloring, reading time, music, and playdough. Cynthia participates with the Food Program to enhance the nutrition of her meals and snacks.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Cynthia is in compliance at this time.

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. Cynthia was in compliance having a plan consistent with her current operation.

I encourage Cynthia to work with Julia Green from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.

Julia can be reached at: (515) 202-1830

Cynthia had one infant under 12 months of age during the time of our visit who was awake. We reviewed safe infant sleeping policies.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow

Date: 4/17/2026

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