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CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Ligoria Cruz-Pena

Provider Name: Ligoria Cruz-Pena

Provider No.: 37292

Address: 1325 5th AVE, Des Moines, IA, 50314

E-Mail:

County: Polk

Phone Number: 5156125170

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 5/5/2026

Program Type:

- [X] 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
- [X] All Ages

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1. Basic Overview

Ligoria Cruz-Pena has been a registered provider since November of 2011. Ligoria is currently a category "A" Child Development Home Provider. This allows Ligoria to have 6 preschool children with an additional 2 school aged children in care at one time. Ligoria does not provide transportation for families in her care. There are no pets in the Child Development Home. Ligoria's hours of availability for care is Monday through Saturday from 6am to 12am.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Ligoria is a Spanish speaking provider. She is an experienced provider. Ligoria is current with her required training as reviewed by the Registration Unit. Ligoria's care area is on the main floor of the home and is appropriate for childcare. Ligoria is furnished with child furniture, toys, and books. Ligoria has media available for the children to watch during their time in Ligoria's care. Ligoria has completed Safe Sleep training and implements the practice when she has children 12 months or younger in care. Ligoria uses sleeveless sleeping sacks for infants. This worker reviewed Safe Sleep policy with Ligoria through the translator and provided Ligoria an informational flyer in Spanish. Ligoria has an outside space for the children to access when the weather allows. Ligoria uses separation, processing choices, and redirection as her primary behavioral interventions when needed. Corporal punishment is not practiced in the Child Development Home. Children in Ligoria's care receive regular meals and snacks as appropriate. Ligoria's provider file and individual child files are complete, organized, and easily accessible.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Within six months of becoming registered, children 18 years of age or younger residing in the household must have:Admission physical exam report.Immunization certificate.For school age: Documentation of physical exam completed at time of school enrollment or since that time.

1. Dulce needs to have a DHHS Medical Physical Form completed by a qualified Medical Professional every three years, any household member 18 years or older needs to have the DHHS form completed.

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

None.

5. Special Notes/recommendations

I encourage you to work with your Child Care Resource and Referral Worker (Roxana Sixtos 515-202-1310) with any compliance or training efforts.

The above correction needs to be completed by 7/5/2026 and will be reviewed on your next annual compliance check.

The Emergency Preparedness Plan meets Targeted Expectations.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at 515-601-9469 or jake.aringdale@hhs.iowa.gov.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Jake Aringdale Date: 5/5/2026

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