Health and Human Services

# Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

## CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Kerri Nielsen

Provider Name: Kerri Nielsen

Provider No.: 48197

Address: 107 Candlewick RD, Waterloo, IA, 50703

E-Mail:

County: Black Hawk

Phone Number: 3192699770

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☐ Pre-Inspection Date:

☐ Approval Date:

☒ Annual Visit Date: 8/18/2025

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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

**1. Basic Overview**

Kerri has been a Registered in home childcare provider since 2017. She is a Category A provider. She also has 14 years experience as a special education teacher and 3 years as a preschool teacher. She was previously rated at a level 2 of the QRS quality rating system but does not currently participate in IQ4K. Kerri does participate in the Food Program.

**2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program**

Kerri's documentation was very nicely organized, and this worker was able to review the documentation while Kerri prepared lunch for the children.
Kerri's policies were nicely written, and she had much more than the 2 required policies.

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Kerri provides written daily sheets to the parents in communicating each day about the children in care.
This worker did observe Kerri abide by safe sleep policies in putting down 2 of the children for nap after lunch and she does have cameras in the nap rooms.
This worker also observed Kerri provide a healthy and well-balanced meal for the children.
Kerri has a very nice play space for children in the lower level of her home.

**3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard**

All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites.
Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate, is on file.
Kerri's pet exams from 2024 were not on the approved HHS forms. She is also due to get updated pet exams for all 3 dogs.
*Kerri needs to obtain updated annual pet exams for all 3 dogs on the approved HHS pet form.

110.9 (1) a : Within six months of becoming registered, a physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, for all household members over the age of 18. Physical exams should be repeated every three years.
Kerri could not locate her most recent provider health exam. She did report she had one recently. This worker did provide her a copy of the form she needs for documentation purposes.
*Kerri needs to obtain her most recent health exam on the approved HHS form. It needs to be within 3 years.

110.9(1)b Certification verification of two hours of approved child abuse and neglect mandatory reporter training.
Kerri's MCART had expired in March.
*Kerri needs to obtain an updated Mandatory Child Abuse Reporter Training and she needs to send pictorial verification to this worker.

110.9 (4) a : Identifying information including, at a minimum, the child's name, birth date, parent's name, address, telephone number, special needs of the child, and the parent's work address and telephone number.
110.9 (4) b : Emergency information including where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city, and telephone of the child's regular doctor, and the name, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency.
110.9 (4) c : A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment.
110.9 (4) i : Documentation signed by the parent which names persons authorized to pick up the child, their telephone number, and relationship to the child.
110.9 (4) j : Written permission from the parent(s) for their child to attend activities away from the child development home.
Kerri was missing the above information for one of the children in care.
*Kerri needs to work with the parents to obtain all required documentation for each child's file.

A re-check is not needed at this time. Corrections need to be made by 9/18/25 and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check. Please send pictorial verification of the items where specifically noted below via text to 319-429-0749 or via email at christy.weber@hhs.iowa.gov

Thank you for your service in providing childcare in your community.

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

NA

**5. Special Notes/recommendations**

Notes:

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Kerri is aware of the number of children she can have at one time as a Category A provider.
Kerri did identify structure and routine in her day.

Recommendations:
Kerri does have 3 dogs. On this date and previous visits, this worker has observed a lot of dog hair on the floor. This worker recommends that Kerri vacuum daily and work to ensure that there is not pet hair in the areas where the children are on the floor. Significant pet hair could be a choking hazard for small children.
It is also recommended that Kerri vacuum the floor/carpets on the lower level of her home. She has a very nice play space set up for the children, but it needs to be vacuumed.

Kerri had written policies for ill children and health emergencies, but she did not yet have anything written in regard to notifying parents in writing that they are able to submit an exemption for immunizations (either religious or medical) in lieu of the immunization record for each child. This is a new policy effective 7/1/25 so we did discuss this, and she agreed to get that documented accordingly.

**6. ADDENDUMS:**

- Addendum1: Kerri's annual compliance check was completed on 8/18/25. At that time Kerri was out of compliance with a few regulations. She needed to send pictorial verification to this worker of her updated her Mandatory Child Abuse Reporter Training.

  Kerri did send pictorial verification of the MCART on 9/22/25.

This Addendum is approved by supervisor on 9/23/2025

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 8/18/2025

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 I encourage you to work with Black Hawk County Child Care Resource and Referral at 319-233-0804 if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs.