Health and Human Services

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## CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Saren Hauser

Provider Name: Saren Hauser

Provider No.: 49879

Address: 114 College DR, Melbourne, IA, 50162

E-Mail:

County: Marshall

Phone Number: 6413284351

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- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 5/19/2026

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Program Type:

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

I conducted a compliance visit with Registered Child Development Home Category B provider Saren Hauser on 5/19/2026. Saren has been involved in child care for 23 years. She continues using the main floor only of her 2 story home. Portions of the main floor are entirely designated for child care play and activities. Saren had 4 children present during our visit and cares for a total of 5. She plans to add a couple for the summer once school is out. Saren has one HHS-approved substitute/assistant. The substitute/assistant is frequently around the home to assist, but rarely serves in a substitute role. Saren uses her open back yard for an outside play area. She has one dog and has a current vet statement on file. Saren is due to renew her registration effective 6/30/2027.

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

Saren keeps her numbers pretty low allowing good attention to the children. She has many years of experience in child care. Saren describes her strengths as her flexibility with the families and her nurturing approach with the children. Her curriculum is mostly play-based with lots of learning activities worked into the day. These include group time, coloring, table activities and regular outside time. The children responded well to Saren during our visit.

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

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

I encourage Saren 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

Saren had one infant under 12 months of age in care during our visit who was awake. She uses sleep sacks for napping and we reviewed safe infant sleeping policies.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow Date: 5/30/2026

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