05/15/2025

Karen Cota
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Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home B conducted on 05/15/2025. 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 1 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)“ g”	The home shall have at least one 2A 10BC rated fire extinguisher located in a visible and readily accessible place on each child-occupied floor.

Findings:

441 IAC 110.8(1)"g" Fire extinguishers.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

I encourage you to work with Child Care Resource and Referral for ongoing child care needs.

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Corrective Action Required:

Karen needs a 2a10BC rated fire extinguisher for lower level of the home. Karen has a 'tri level' home and she stated that she does sleep a child on the lower level.

Karen will send picture of fire extinguisher to Kathy by 7/1/2025. This can be emailed to kathy.huinker@hhs.iowa.gov or texted to 563-j949-6971.

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 563-949-6971 or kathy.huinker@hhs.iowa.gov if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Kathy Huinker

Social Worker II

Sheila Aunspach

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).