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CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Itxia Espinoza

Provider Name: Itxia Espinoza

Provider No.: 43069

Address: 1439 E Washington AVE, Des Moines, IA, 50316

E-Mail:

County: Polk

Phone Number: 5159430744

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 4/7/2026

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

Itxia Espinoza has been a registered Child Development Home Provider since April of 2014. Currently Itxia is a category "B" Child Development Home Provider. This allows her to have 8 preschool children with an additional 4 school aged children in care at one time. If there are more than 8 children in care for over 2 hours Itxia would need to have a DHHS approved assistant present. Itxia is available for care Monday through Saturday from 6am to 12am. Itxia does not have a substitute or assistant for her program. There are no pets in the home. Itxia does not provide transportation for families in her care.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Itxia renewed her registration in April of 2026 and is current with her required trainings reviewed by the Registration Unit. Itxia has completed Safe Sleep training and implements the practice when she has children 12 months or younger in her care. Itxia cares for children in her basement which has an egress window with stairs. The area has several rooms and the rooms are furnished with children's furniture, equipment, and toys encouraging exploration. The areas encourage small and large motor skill development. There is a kitchen area where she is able to prepare meals and snacks. Children in Itxia's care receive regular meals and snacks. There is an outdoor space where the children can play when weather allows. Itxia uses redirection as her main behavioral intervention when needed. Capital punishment is not practiced in the Child Development Home. Itxia's individual child files are complete, organized, and easily accessible. Itxia's provider file is complete, organized, and easily accessed.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Itxia met all expectations of the yearly compliance check during the visit.

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 training or compliance efforts.

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.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Jake Aringdale Date: 4/8/2026

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