Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Tammy's Tots

Provider Name: Tammy's Tots

Provider No.: 33079

Address: 905 E 1st ST, Anamosa, IA, 52205

E-Mail:

County: Jones

Phone Number: 3194801898

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 6/23/2026

Program Type:

- [ ] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home B
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C
- [X] Registered Child Development Home C1
- [ ] Non Registered Child Care Homes accepting CCA

Program Population Served:

- [X] Infant(0<24 mos)
- [X] Toddler
- [X] PreSchool
- [ ] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

Tammy has provided in home childcare as a registered provider since 2010. She did previously participate in the prior quality rating system and was rated at level 4. She does not participate in the current IQ4K quality rating system. She does participate in the food program. Tammy shared that she is willing to provide care for children from the ages of infant to Kindergarten. She does not care for school-aged children. Tammy has the lower level of her home set up specifically for child care. She has a very nice childcare space with a variety of toys and activities for the children. Tammy does also use the main level of her home for care as well. Tammy does have a back yard she can use for outdoor play that is free of hazards, but she has a park directly across the street where they most often play. Tammy does not have any pets. Tammy does not have an approved substitute or assistant.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

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Tammy had 6 children in care when this worker arrived. They were all playing across the street at the park. Tammy gathered up the children and returned home upon this workers arrival. This worker observed Tammy gather the children and cross the street safely to return home. This worker observed the children to line up and go to the bathroom and wash hands upon return from the park.

Tammy had a variety of toys and activities for the children. She described structure and routine in her day including activities for both fine and gross motor skills. She talked of the importance of getting the children outside daily for play as well.

Tammy's documentation was very nicely organized into folders. This allowed this worker to review all her documentation while she as able to continue to care for and supervise the children. Her policies/handbook had more than the minimum requirements.

Tammy shared that she exchanges information daily but will also send a written note each day for children under the age of 1.

This worker did observe her appropriately redirect a child when needed.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Tammy was in full compliance with all mandated regulatory requirements of a Registered Child Development Home.

If you have questions, you may contact me at 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:
Tammy shared that she does not transport the childcare children.
Tammy shared that she does not ever use a swimming pool.
We did discuss safe sleep policies.
We did discuss the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time as a Category C1 provider.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. Tammy was in compliance with her EPP.
She was encouraged to review it at least yearly to ensure that no changes need to be made.

Recommendations:
As of 7/1/25 providers are expected to notify all parents in writing that the state does allow parents to submit an exemption for immunizations (either religious or medical) in lieu of the immunization record for each child. We did discuss this and Tammy did have this documented accordingly. She will ensure that all the current parents have her updated policies/handbook and sign off that they have received this documentation.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 6/23/2026

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 I encourage you to work with Alicia Wagner with Child Care Resource and Referral if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs. Alicia Wagner can be reached at 319-538-8464