Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Soia Sony

Provider Name: Soia Sony

Provider No.: 53108

Address: 115 Elston Ave, Waterloo, IA, 50701

E-Mail:

County: Black Hawk

Phone Number: 3193495730

[X] Pre-Inspection Date: 4/10/2026

[ ] Approval Date:

[ ] Annual Visit Date:

Program Type:

[X] 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

[X] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

Soai has not provided childcare in the past. This Pre-Inspection was completed as she becomes a newly Registered provider. She is currently attending Hawkeye Community College for the Early Childhood program. Soia indicated her preference is to care for toddler and preschool-aged children, but she will consider infants and school-age children. We did discuss the option of participating in the Food Program. Soai plans to provide care on the main level of her home and the lower level. Soai does have a fenced in yard. Soia does not have any pets. Soia does not have an approved substitute or assistant.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Soia does not currently have any children enrolled so this worker was not able to observe interactions between her and childcare children.

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Soia's home was clean. Soia did have folders for her documentation.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8 (1) g : Has not less than one 2A 10BC rated fire extinguisher in a visible and readily accessible place on each child-occupied floor.
*Soia needs to obtain the 2A 10BC size fire extinguisher for the lower level of the home where she plans to provide childcare. She does need to send pictorial verification of that to this worker before the PI can be approved.
Soia did obtain a 2A 10BC size fire extinguisher and sent pictorial verification to this worker on 4/11/26. She is now in compliance with this regulation.

Each smoke detector has been installed according to manufacturer's recommendations.
*Soia does need to replace the batteries one of the smoke alarms in the home as it was beeping.

110.8 (3) a : All medicines and poisonous, toxic, or otherwise unsafe materials are secured from access by a child.
Soia did have cleaners/chemicals under her kitchen sink and bathroom sink that were not secured. Soia did move those while this worker was present so is currently in compliance.

Soia's PI is approved as of 4/13/26.

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:
Soia shared that she does not transport the childcare children. (at least not at this time)
Soai shared that she might consider the use of a small pool and we did discuss the regulations around that. We did discuss that she will want to get written permission from the parents to allow the children to swim.
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 A provider. Soia does have three children of her own under school age, so we did discuss that her own three children do count toward the total number she is allowed to care for at one time.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. She 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:
Soia did not yet have anything written in regard to notifying 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. This is a new expectation for providers effective 7/1/25 so we did discuss this, and she agreed to get that documented accordingly.

Soia did not yet have an illness policy or a policy regarding responding to health-related emergencies. These are not required a Pre-inspection but will be required at her first annual compliance visit. We did discuss these policies and her CCR&R support worker who was present at this PI agreed to follow up with Soai to assist her in this area.

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Children's files: Soai does not currently have children enrolled and a review of those files is not required at a Pre-inspection. However, we did review the documentation that is required for each child's file.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 4/13/2026

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 Black Hawk County Child Care Resource and referral at 319-233-0804 if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs.