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CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Heidi Higgins

Provider Name: Heidi Higgins

Provider No.: 43922

Address: 3125 Violet DR, Waterloo, IA, 50701

E-Mail:

County: Black Hawk

Phone Number: 3192156000

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 9/24/2026

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

1. Basic Overview

Heidi became a Registered childcare provider in August of 2014. She reported that she did provide some childcare in her home for a few years prior for family only. Heidi reported that she did participate in the quality rating system in the past and was Child Net certified but is not a participant of the current IQ4K quality rating system. She does participate in the Food Program. Heidi does not currently have any school-aged children enrolled but did share she is willing to care for school0age children if they were children she cared for when they were younger. Heidi uses the main level only of her home for childcare. She does have a fenced in yard with a few play structures for outdoor play. Heidi does have 2 dogs and 2 cats that do interact with the children. Heidi does not have an approved substitute or assistant.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

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Heidi had 6 children in care when this worker arrived. Four children were in the living room sitting on the floor playing with blocks and two infants had been laid down to nap. This worker did observe Heidi to be following safe sleep policies. This worker did observe Heidi to appropriately re-direct children as needed.

Heidi has a variety of toys and activities for the children.

Heidi's documentation was nicely organized into folders and a binder for easy review of compliance. This allowed this worker to easily review her documentation while she was able to continue to supervise and care for the children. Heidi's policies were detailed and included much more than the required minimum.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Heidi was in 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:
Heidi shared that she does not transport the childcare children.
Heidi shared that she does not ever use a swimming pool for the childcare children.
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 B provider.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. Heidi 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 at last year's annual inspection and Heidi agreed to document that accordingly but had not yet done so. We did discuss this again and she agreed to add that in her policies accordingly. She will also need to ensure that her updated policies are provided to all the parents accordingly.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 9/24/2026

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.