Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Fresh Air Childcare

Provider Name: Fresh Air Childcare

Provider No.: 53039

Address: 113 2nd AVE NW, Mount Vernon, IA, 52314

E-Mail:

County: Linn

Phone Number: 5635082908

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 8/28/2026

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
- [X] PreSchool
- [ ] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

Marjorie became a registered childcare provider in December of 2025. This is her first full annual inspection. Marjorie had previously provided childcare as a non- registered provider for 8 years in the state of Illinois when her children were young. She has previously worked with children as an elementary school teacher, librarian and has worked with talented and gifted children. Marjorie presents as very excited about doing childcare again. She described that she cares for children ages 3-5 with a focus on preschool type curriculum. She does not plan to care for infants. Marjorie does currently participate in the IQ4K quality rating system but described an interest. She does participate in the Food Program. Marjorie uses the main level of her home for childcare. She does have a fenced in back yard with swings and riding toys and stressed the importance of outdoor play. Marjorie does have 2 dogs that do interact with the children. Marjorie does not have an approved substitute or assistant.

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2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Marjorie had 3 children in care on this date. She noted that she currently has 5 children enrolled. This worker observed positive interactions between Marjorie and the children on this date. Marjorie has a significant number of educational toys for the children and offers a variety of activities. She described daily reading and outdoor play. This worker observed the children to play outside, wash hands upon return inside the home, play inside and they were excited to show me the area where they go in case of a tornado. It did appear as if they have a good amount of structure and routine while also having flexibility in their day.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8(1)h. Each smoke detector is tested monthly, and a record is kept for inspection purposes.
Marjorie did not have any documentation of monthly testing of smoke detectors.
*Marjorie needs to ensure that she tests her smoke detectors monthly and documents those accordingly.

110.8(1)n. All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites.
Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate, is on file.
Marjorie did have a vet exam for both dogs, but they were not on the approved HHS form.
*Marjorie needs to obtain the annual pet exam for both dogs on the approved HHS form. This worker did provide her an additional pet form for future documentation purposes.

110.8(4)a.
Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept on file for the current year and previous year.
Marjorie did not have documentation for monthly fire and tornado drills. She did report that she practices them but did not have documentation to show this worker.
*Marjorie needs to ensure that she practices fire and tornado drills monthly and documents those accordingly. She also needs to main records from the previous year.

110.9(1)b(1) Certification by an approved trainer/organization in infant and child First aid and CPR.
Marjorie could not locate this.
*Marjorie needs to locate a current certificate of infant and child First aid and CPR and send pictorial verification to this worker.

110.9(4) : An individual file is maintained for each child and updated annually or when there are changes.
Marjorie could not locate a file for one of the children.
*Marjorie needs to ensure that she has a file for each child enrolled and that they are updated annually.

Each file contains:
110.9 (4) a : Identifying information including, at a minimum, the child's name, birth date, parent's name, address, telephone number, special needs of the child, and the parent's work address and telephone number.
110.9 (4) b : Emergency information including where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city, and telephone of the child's regular doctor, and the name, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency.
110.9 (4) c : A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment.
110.9 (4) d : For infants and preschoolers: An admission physical examination, on the first day of attendance, including past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary. The date of the exam is not more than 12 months before the child's first day of attendance.
For school-aged children: On the first day of attendance, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian or admission physical examination that is not more than 12 months from the child's first day.
110.9 (4) e : For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.
For school aged children: An annual statement of health condition signed by the parent or legal guardian, annually from date of statement of health or admission physical.
110.9 (4) f : For each school-age child, record of a physical exam completed at the time of school enrollment or since.
110.9 (4) g : A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state Department of Public Health.

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110.9 (4) h : Written emergency plans for children with allergies. Must accompany child if away from facility.
110.9 (4) i : Documentation signed by the parent which names persons authorized to pick up the child, their telephone number, and relationship to the child.
110.9 (4) j : Written permission from the parent(s) for their child to attend activities away from the child development home.
110.9 (4) k : Injury report forms to document injuries requiring first aid or medical care.
110.9 (4) l : If a child meets definition of homelessness, required medical documentation is obtained within 60 days of enrollment.

Marjorie could not locate a majority of her documentation for each child. She had a few items printed out for some of the children. She indicated she is using Brightwheel for much of her documentation on-line, but she could not locate it. She also noted that she thought she had items printed out but could not locate them on this date.

*Marjorie needs to ensure that she has the required documentation for each child's file (either printed or online) but she needs to be able to access it accordingly.

A re-check is not needed at this time. The above corrections should be made within 3 weeks (by 9/18/26) and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.
Please send pictorial verification of compliance of the items where specifically noted above to christy.weber@hhs.iowa.gov or text to 319-429-0749.

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:
Marjorie shared that she does not transport the childcare children.
Marjorie shared that she does not ever use a swimming pool but may use a sprinkler for other water play.
We did discuss safe sleep policies although she does not take infants.
We did discuss the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time as a Category A provider.
Marjorie does have a chicken but she noted it has its own space. At her Pre-inspection was had discussed that the chicken needs to be separate from the children so as not to expose the children to the animal waste. The childcare children are also not allowed to eat the chicken eggs.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. Marjorie 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 her Pre-inspection last year and she thought she had documented that but could not locate this.
*Marjorie agreed to locate that documentation, and she agreed to send pictorial verification of compliance to this HHS worker.

This was Marjorie's first full annual compliance inspection since her Pre-inspection was completed in November of 2025. Marjorie had a difficult time locating a majority of her required documentation. She did have the binder that CCR&R had provided to her last year when she first got Registered. However, she was not using that to assist her in managing and organizing her documentation. She did have some folders for some of her documentation but had a difficulty locating some of the folders. Marjorie is not required to use that binder but after some discussion she did indicate that might be best for her to assist in organizing what is required. She did not that she has been using Brightwheel for online documentation but was not able to locate much of what is required.

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Marjorie did express some interest in meeting with her local CCR&R support worker for assistance in reviewing and organizing her required documentation. She is encouraged to reach out and ask for assistance as needed.

6. ADDENDUMS:

- Addendum1: On 11/4/26 Marjorie sent pictorial verification of her First Aid and CPR certificate.

This Addendum is approved by supervisor on 11/4/2026

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 8/31/2026

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 Ashley Cram with Child Care Resource and Referral if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs. Ashley Cram can be reached at 563-362-8224