



# Iowa Department of Human Services

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Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home A conducted on 08/13/2019. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. You are not a participant in the voluntary Quality Rating and Improvement System. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of the visit:

**441 IAC 110.7**

**Provider Requirements**

441 IAC 110.8 Standards. Conditions in the home are safe, sanitary, and free of hazards.

**441 IAC 110.8(1)**

**Facility Requirements**

441 IAC 110.8(1)“b” Electrical wiring shall be maintained, and all accessible electrical outlets shall be tamper-resistant outlets or shall be safely capped. Electrical cords shall be properly used. Improper use includes running cords under rugs, over hooks, through door openings, or other use that has been known to be hazardous

441 IAC 110.8(1)“h”

The home shall have at least one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway. Each smoke detector shall be installed according to manufacturer’s recommendations. The provider shall test each smoke detector monthly and keep a record of testing for inspection purposes

441 IAC 110.8(1)“n”

Providers shall inform parents of the presence of any pet in the home.

1. Each dog or cat in the household shall undergo an annual health examination by a licensed veterinarian. Acceptable veterinary examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5153, Veterinary Health Certificate. This examination shall verify that the animal’s routine immunizations, particularly rabies, are current and that the animal shows no evidence of endoparasites (roundworms, hookworms, whipworms) and ectoparasites (fleas, mites, ticks, lice).
2. Each pet bird in the household shall be purchased from a dealer licensed by the Iowa department of agriculture and land stewardship and shall be examined by a veterinarian to verify that it is free of infectious diseases. Acceptable veterinary examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5153, Veterinary Health Certificate. Children shall not handle pet birds.
3. Aquariums shall be well maintained and installed in a manner that prevents children from accessing the water or pulling over a tank.
4. All animal waste shall be immediately removed from the children’s areas and properly disposed of. Children shall not perform any feeding or care of pets or cleanup of pet waste.
5. No animals shall be allowed in the food preparation, food storage, or serving areas during food preparation and serving times

441 IAC 110.8(1)“p”

The provider shall have written policies regarding the care of mildly ill children and exclusion of children due to illness and shall inform parents of these policies.

**441 IAC 110.8(2)**      **Use of Outdoor Space**

- 441 IAC 110.8(2) “b”      When there is a swimming or wading pool on the premises:
1. A wading pool shall be drained daily and shall be inaccessible to children when it is not in use.
  2. An aboveground or in-ground swimming pool that is not fenced shall be covered whenever the pool is not in use. The cover shall meet or exceed the ASTM International (formerly known as the American Society for Testing and Materials) specification intended to reduce the risk of drowning by inhibiting access to the water by children under five years of age.
  3. An uncovered aboveground swimming pool shall be enclosed with an approved fence that is non-climbable and has a minimum height of four feet.
  4. An uncovered in-ground swimming pool shall be enclosed with a fence that is non-climbable and is at least four feet high and flush with the ground.

**441 IAC 110.8(3)**      **Medications and Hazardous Materials**

- 441 IAC 110.8(3) “a”      All medicines and poisonous, toxic, or otherwise unsafe materials shall be secured from access by a child

**441 IAC 110.8(4)**      **Emergency Plans**

- 441 IAC 110.8(4) “a”      Fire and tornado drills shall be practiced monthly and the provider shall keep documentation evidencing compliance with monthly practice on file for the current year and the previous year.

- 441 IAC 110.9      Files

**441 IAC 110.9(1)**      **A provider file is maintained and shall contain the following:**

- 441 IAC 110.9(1) “a”      A physician’s examination report for the provider and all members of the provider’s household over the age of 12 . Acceptable physical examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report. The examination shall include any necessary testing for communicable diseases; a discussion of recommended vaccinations; completed no more than six months prior to initial registration; completed by a licensed medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy, physician assistant or advanced registered nurse practitioner; and repeated at least every three years. All children residing in the household that are 12 years of age or younger must have medical documentation outlined in 110.9(4) “d”, 110.9(4) “f”, and 110.9(4) “g”

- 441 IAC 110.9(4)      Children’s Files. An individual file for each child shall be maintained and updated annually or when the provider becomes aware of changes. The file shall contain:
- 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.
  - b. Emergency information including, at a minimum, where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city and telephone number of the child’s regular source of health care, and the name, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency.
  - c. A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment.
  - d. An admission physical examination report signed by a licensed physician or designee in a clinic supervised by a licensed physician
    1. The date of the physical examination shall not be more than 12 months before the child’s first day of attendance at the child development home.
    2. The written report shall include past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary.
    3. For a child who is five years of age or older and enrolled in school, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian may be substituted for the physical examination report.
    4. The examination report or statement of health status shall be on file before the child’s first day of care
  - e. A statement of health condition signed by a physician or designee submitted annually

from the date of the admission physical. For a child who is five years of age or older and enrolled in school, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian may be substituted for the physician statement.

**f.** For each school-age child, on the first day of attendance, documentation of a physical examination that was completed at the time of school enrollment or since.

**g.** A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health. For the school-age child, a copy of the most recent immunization record shall be acceptable.

**h.** For any child with allergies, a written emergency plan in the case of an allergic reaction. A copy of this information shall accompany the child if the child leaves the premises.

**i.** A list that is signed by the parent and names persons authorized to pick up the child. The authorization shall include the name, telephone number, and relationship of the authorized person to the child.

**j.** Written permission from the parent for the child to attend activities away from the child development home. The permission shall include:

1. Times of departure and arrival.
2. Destination.
3. Persons who will be responsible for the child

**k.** Injury report forms documenting injuries requiring first aid or medical care

**l.** If the child meets the definition of homelessness as defined by section 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act, the family shall receive a 60-day grace period to obtain medical documentation.

#### Findings:

Lavaysha will empty her trash in the kitchen and remove.

Lavaysha will place safety caps in one electrical outlet in playroom and one electrical outlet in dining room.

Lavaysha will conduct monthly fire and tornado drills with her daycare children and check her smoke detectors monthly and document when this is completed. This was not completed for July of 2019.

Lavaysha needs to show documentation for a current physical for one dog on the Pet Health Examination Certificate form.

Lavaysha needs to show documentation of her policies on how she would provide care to a child that becomes sick while in her care (to include isolating that child from other daycare children until the child's parent comes to pick them up.)

Lavaysha had an above ground pool present on her property without proper fencing or cover for it. The department had Lavaysha sign a voluntary safety plan that she would drain the pool of all water immediately and would remove from area when not in use and that prior to re-installing the pool she would have appropriate fencing or cover for it.

Lavaysha needs to re-secure her child locks on her kitchen sink cabinet doors.

Lavaysha needs to show documentation of a current physical and immunization record for Janoa.

441 IAC 110.9(4) Children's Files. An individual file for each child shall be maintained and updated annually or when the provider becomes aware of changes. The file shall contain:

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. Need updated parent signature and date on form for C.M.

Emergency information including, at a minimum, where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city and telephone number of the child's regular source of health care, and the name, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency. Need updated parent signature and date on form for C.M.

A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment. Need updated parent signature and date on form for C.M. Need doctor's information on form for A.J.

An admission physical examination report signed by a licensed physician or designee in a clinic supervised by a

licensed physician

The date of the physical examination shall not be more than 12 months before the child's first day of attendance at the child development home.

The written report shall include past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary. Need physical for M.J., M.H., I.H.

For a child who is five years of age or older and enrolled in school, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian may be substituted for the physical examination report. Need school-aged health status form for T.C., A.J.

A statement of health condition signed by a physician or designee submitted annually from the date of the admission physical. For a child who is five years of age or older and enrolled in school, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian may be substituted for the physician statement. Need updated physical for C.M.

For each school-age child, on the first day of attendance, documentation of a physical examination that was completed at the time of school enrollment or since. Need enrollment physical for T.C.

A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health. For the school-age child, a copy of the most recent immunization record shall be acceptable. Need for T.C., M.J., M.H. Need update for C.M.

A list that is signed by the parent and names persons authorized to pick up the child. The authorization shall include the name, telephone number, and relationship of the authorized person to the child. Need for M.J., M.H., I.H. Need update for C.M.

Written permission from the parent for the child to attend activities away from the child development home. Need update for C.M.

Suggestions for Improvement:

Recommendation:

Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home either on or after 10/2/19.

[ ] Is the recommendation to terminate a provider agreement or revoke a registration?

Non-compliance with any of the mandated 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.

Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at (319) 208-5521/creckli@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Chad Reckling

**Social Worker II**

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**Social Work Supervisor**

Always Remember:

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 563-324-3236

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you can access the approved training by going to [http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child\\_Care/Professional\\_Development.html](http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child_Care/Professional_Development.html)

You may also access training at: <https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/trainingregistry/>

All providers need to maintain compliance with rules set out in Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, which includes: 441 IAC 110.5(1): Check with the appropriate authorities to determine how the following local, state, or federal laws apply to you: • Zoning code • Building code • Fire code • Business license • State and federal income tax • Unemployment insurance • Worker's Compensation • Minimum wage and hour requirements • OSHA • Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).