

02/03/2020

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Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the follow up at your residence in which you are seeking child development home registration conducted on 02/03/2020. 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)“g” The home shall have at least one 2A 10BC rated fire extinguisher located in a visible and readily accessible place on each child-occupied floor.

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)“i” Smoking and the use of tobacco products shall be prohibited at all times in the home and in every vehicle in which children receiving care in the home are transported. Smoking and the use of tobacco products shall be prohibited in the outdoor play area during the home's hours of operation. Nonsmoking signs shall be posted at every entrance of the child care home and in every vehicle used to transport children.
All signs shall include:

1. The telephone number for reporting complaints, and
2. The Internet address of the department of public health (www.iowasmokefreeair.gov)

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

441 IAC 110.8(2) “a” A safe outdoor play area shall be maintained in good condition throughout the year. The play area shall be fenced off when located on a busy thoroughfare or near a hazard which may be injurious to a child, and shall have both sunshine and shade areas. The play area shall be kept free from litter, rubbish, and flammable materials and shall be free from contamination by drainage or ponding of sewage, household waste, or storm water.

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)

Emergency Plans: plans in case of man-made or natural disaster shall be written and posted by the primary and secondary exits. The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes and tornado and flood shelter areas.

441 IAC 110.8(4) “b”

The provider must have procedures in place for the following:

1. evacuation to safely leave the facility
2. relocation to a common, safe location after the evacuation
3. shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where you are when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue
4. lock down protocol to protect children and providers from an external situation
5. communication plan and plans for reunification with families
6. continuity of operations plans
7. Procedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs

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 aged 18 years or older. Acceptable physical examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report. All children residing in the household must have medical documentation outlined in 110.9(4) “d”, 110.9(4) “f”, and 110.9(4) “g”

Findings:

On 2/3/20 Chad Reckling, SW II conducted a follow up visit to the childcare home. The following was observed:

Grace will anchor her television in her play room and remove heavy items from toilet storage shelves in her bathroom or anchor this piece of shelving. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to obtain a bigger capacity fire extinguisher for the main floor of her house (rated 2A 10BC). This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to place a smoke detector at the top of her second story stairs. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to place Iowa Smoke Free Air Act compliant no smoking signs on each of the entrances to her home (x2). The department gave the provider 2 signs during today's visit for this. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to cover or store her grills outside (x2) and either fix her trampoline enclosure or dismantle her trampoline. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to remove items from her medicine cabinet in her bathroom or place a child lock on this area. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to show routes for fire and tornado on the plans that she has posted. Grace needs to add a brief written description of each procedure (fire, tornado) on the plans that are posted. Grace needs to insure that she puts the exact street address of her evacuation site on her plans. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to show documentation of her completed Emergency Preparedness Plan with site specific information included in it. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to show documentation of a current physical for Madison on the Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report form. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to show documentation of a physical by a doctor for Noah and a current School-Aged Health Status form filled out for him. This was observed to be completed.

Grace needs to show documentation of a current physical for Zaytavion. This was observed to be completed.

Items of non-compliance present after today's visit:
None

Suggestions/Recommendations:**Corrective Action Required:**

No further action is required.

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.

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

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).