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CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Francine Natasha Hodges

Provider Name: Francine Natasha Hodges

Provider No.: 45082

Address: 3308 E 53rd CT, Des Moines, IA, 50317

E-Mail:

County: Polk

Phone Number: 9174987168

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 9/22/2025

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

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1. Basic Overview

Francine Hodges has been a registered Child Development Home Provider since May of 2015. She is currently a category "B" CDH Provider. This allows her to have 8 preschool children at once and an additional 4 school aged children for up to 2 hours. An assistant needs to be present if the ratio is above 8 children for more than 2 hours. There are no pets in the CDH. Fracine has the capability to be open for 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Francine does transport children when needed. Francine recently renewed her registration in April of 2025. At that time registration reviewed the training requirements for her and her substitute/assistants.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Francine has an appropriate space to provide care for up to 12 children. There is a large, fenced play area, on the property. Francine is able to provide care for families with non-traditional scheduling needs as she is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Children in her care receive regular meals and snacks as appropriate. Francine participates with the Food Program. Francine is willing to transport if needed. Francine and her assistant/substitutes are current with their required trainings check by the Registration Unit in April of 2025. Francine and her staff have completed Safe Sleep training and the policy is implemented in the Child Development Home. Francine uses a "thinking chair" and redirection as her main behavioral interventions when needed. Corporal Punishment is not used in the Child Development Home.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

All travel vehicles must have a paper copy of emergency parent contact information.
110.9 (2) b : Within six months of approval, a Physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, which is repeated at least every three years.
110.9 (3) b : Within six months of approval, a Physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, which is repeated at least every three years.

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

I encourage you to work with your Child Care Resource and Referral Worker (Katie Kytola 515-631-2913) with any training or compliance efforts.

The above corrections need to be completed by 11/25/2025 and will be reviewed on your next annual compliance check.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at 515-601-9469 or jake.aringdale@hhs.iowa.gov.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Jake Aringdale Date: 9/23/2025

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