04/10/2023

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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 04/10/2023. 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)"a"	The home shall have a nonpay, working land-line or mobile telephone with emergency numbers posted for police, fire, ambulance, and the poison information center. The number for each child's parent, for a responsible person who can be reached when the parent cannot, and for the child's physician shall be written on paper and readily accessible by the telephone. The home must prominently display all emergency information, and all travel vehicles must have a paper copy of emergency parent contact information
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(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) "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.

Findings:

441 IAC 110.8 Conditions in the home shall be safe, sanitary and free from hazards. Chad Reckling previously identified this concern in October 2022: Leslie will clear out her study/backroom area next to her living room and the area located in front of her buffet in her dining room area in order to make more usable floor space for her daycare children to occupy. Due to medical concerns with household member, this task has been delayed again. Leslie needs to show documented progress on this by 6/1/2023 or before.
441 IAC 110.8(1)a. Emergency numbers. Leslie needs to update emergency numbers to include information for all currently enrolled children.
441 IAC 110.8(1)h. Smoke detector testing. Leslie needs to locate her 2023 drill records and resume monthly testing and written documentation.
441 IAC 110.8(1)n. Pet records. Leslie needs updated annual examinations for dogs Dallas and Emmie, documented on Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate.
441 IAC 110.8(2)a. Outdoor area. Leslie needs to address what appears to be lead based paint on the overhang and door of the garage. This was originally noted by Chad Reckling in October 2022. Chad gave Leslie until the end of May 2023 to address this concern. Leslie needs to address this issue so children can return to the back yard for play. This will be assessed again in May 2023. An extension was not given at this point - suggestions were made to potentially prohibit the children from access to this concern, while still allowing them to play in a portion of the backyard - until a permanent solution (painting) can realistically occur.
441 IAC 110.8(3)a. Medications and hazardous materials. Leslie needs to put the medications in the bathroom in an inaccessible location to children.
441 IAC 110.8(4)a. Fire and tornado drills. Leslie needs to locate her 2023 drill records and resume monthly drills and written documentation for current and previous year.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Contact Lori Mueller at CCRR for needed assistance with child care items.
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Corrective Action Required:

A follow up visit will be required to confirm indoor area has been cleared out as this was originally identified by Chad Reckling as a concern in October 2022. Chad Reckling also gave Leslie until the end of May 2023 to address what appears to be lead based paint on the door and overhang of the garage. This has not yet been addressed and will be viewed for progress at the designated time (end of May 2023 or early June 2023).

Leslie needs to send verification of the updated pet records to Kathy by 6/1/2023. Leslie also needs to send picture of the bathroom with medications put away. Continuation of drill records and updated emergency numbers will be viewed at next year's compliance visit.

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 563-949-6971 or khuinke@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Kathy Huinker

Social Worker II

Sheila Aunspach

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 877-216-8481

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).