

### **Iowa Department of Health And Human Services**

Kim Reynolds Governor Adam Gregg Lt. Governor Kelly K. Garcia Director

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#### Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home C conducted on 03/06/2020. lowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 lowa 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 110.8(1) Facility Requirements

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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

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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 lowa 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



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### Findings:

Per my compliance visit on 3/6/2020 the following corrections are necessary based on the above mentioned rules:
1. 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

2. Please obtain a vet statement for household pets on the state required form. This has to be completed yearly.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Child Care Resource & Referral Erin Casey 515-246-3577

Please do not hesitate to access the free and voluntary consulting services offered by CCR&R to assist with any compliance related needs or questions.

### Corrective Action Required:

All corrections must be completed by 6/20/2020. No recheck is planned at this time. All corrections will be verified at the time of the next 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 515-725-2664 eabbott@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Ellen Abbott

**Social Worker II** 

Jennifer Ware

**Social Work Supervisor** 

Always Remember:



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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 <a href="http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child Care/Professional Development.html">http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child Care/Professional Development.html</a>

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).