Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Theresa Remington

Provider Name: Theresa Remington

Provider No.: 49128

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E-Mail:

County: Webster

Phone Number: 5153029402

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 10/30/2025

Program Type:

- [X] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [ ] 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

1. Basic Overview

Theresa began as a Registered childcare provider in October of 2017. She has not participated in the IQ4K quality rating system and is not a participant of the Food Program. Theresa did report that she is open to 24/7 care.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Theresa does have a fenced in yard.
Although Theresa was missing some of the required documentation, she did have most of her documentation located in one area for easy review.
Theresa did share that she is open to providing care to all age groups and for all shifts of the day.

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3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8(1)a. Number for each child's parent, a person who can be reached when the parent cannot and child's physician is written on paper and readily accessible by the working telephone.

Theresa had a written list but it needs to be updated to include all of the children enrolled.

*Theresa needs to update her written list of children, parental contacts, emergency contact and physician to include all of the children enrolled.

110.8(1)h. Each smoke detector is tested monthly, and a record is kept for inspection purposes.

Theresa did not have documentation of monthly testing of smoke detectors.

*Theresa needs to ensure that she is testing her smoke detectors monthly and documenting those accordingly.

110.8(1)n. All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites. Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate, is on file.

Theresa has 2 dogs and 1 cat. She could not locate a current exam for the dog Ace. She did have documentation of a current pet exam for Laila and Frosty, but they were not on the approved HHS form. She does have the correct form for documentation purposes and needs to remember to take that with her when she gets the annual pet exams.

*Theresa needs to obtain current pet exams for all 3 pets on the approved HHS form.

All animal waste is immediately removed from the children's areas and properly disposed of.

Theresa did not have animal waste in the areas that the children primarily use but there was pet waste in the area where they go for tornado drills.

She did clean that up while this worker was present.

110.8 (1) q : The provider has written policies about responding to health-related emergencies.

Theresa did not have this documentation.

*Theresa needs to locate or develop written policies about responding to health- related emergencies.

*Theresa needs to send pictorial verification of that to the HHS compliance worker.

110.8 (3) b : First-aid supplies are available and easily accessible in the home, outdoor play area, in any vehicle used to transport children, and on field trips.

Theresa did have 2 newly purchased First aid kits. Neither however was open. She did open one of them while this worker was present, but she had to use scizzors to get it open and it was not easily accessible.

*She should open the second one as well, so it is easily accessible when needed.

110.8 (4) a : Emergency and disaster plans for fire and tornado are written and posted by primary and secondary exits.

Theresa did not have this at her secondary exit.

*Theresa needs to post her emergency disaster plan for fire and tornado at her secondary exit.

*Theresa needs to send pictorial verification of this to the HHS compliance worker.

110.9 (1) b1:Certification by an approved trainer/organization in infant and child First aid and CPR.

Theresa's First Aid and CPR certification expired in August.

*Theresa needs to update her First Aid and CPR and send pictorial verification to the HHS compliance worker.

110.9(1) b2: : Documentation from the Department confirming record checks have been completed and authorizing or limiting the person's involvement with child care.

Theresa could not locate this documentation.

*Theresa needs to try to locate this documentation. She can contact the Registration unit to obtain another copy, or she needs to make sure to keep that documentation she will receive at the time of her next renewal for future verification.

110.9 (4) d : For infants and preschoolers: An admission physical examination, on the first day of attendance, including past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary. The date of the exam is not more than 12 months before the child's first day of attendance.

110.9 (4) e : For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.

Of the 3 files reviewed, Theresa was missing an initial physical for one child and an updated/annual physical for one child.

*Theresa needs to work with the parents to obtain all required documentation for each child's file.

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A re-check is not needed at this time. The above corrections should be made within 30 days and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.
Please send pictorial verification of the items where specifically noted above.

Christy Weber from HHS completed this annual compliance check but pictorial verification should be sent to David Jaehrling at david;jaehrling@hhs.iowa.gov

Thank you for your service in providing childcare in your community.

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

NA

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Notes:
We did discuss safe sleep policies.
Theresa is aware of the number of children she is allowed to have in care at one time as a category A provider.
Theresa shared that she does not use a swimming pool but will use a sprinkler for water play.

Recommendations:
Theresa did not yet have anything written in regard to notifying parents in writing that they are able to submit an exemption for immunizations (either religious or medical) in lieu of the immunization record for each child. This is a new policy effective 7/1/25 so we did discuss this, and she agreed to get that documented accordingly.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 10/31/2025

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 I encourage you to work with Rachel Thomas (your local support worker) if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs. Rachel can be reached at 515-573-0029 or rthomas@midsioux.org