Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Susan Klemme

Provider Name: Susan Klemme

Provider No.: 16456

Address: 2206 Eastman AVE, State Center, IA, 50247

E-Mail:

County: Marshall

Phone Number: 6414858849

☐ Pre-Inspection Date:

☐ Approval Date:

☒ Annual Visit Date: 8/18/2026

Program Type:

☐ 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

☒ All Ages

1. Basic Overview

I conducted a compliance visit with Registered Child Development Home Category B provider Susan Klemme on 8/18/2026. Susan has been involved in child care for 32 years. She continues using mostly the walk-out lower level of her ranch style home with a napping space available on the main floor if necessary. Her primary space in the lower level includes a very large room connected to a kitchen. The children have lots of space and a variety of activities available. Susan had no children present during our visit as she takes her summers off and is ready to start next week with the start of the school year. She has no HHS-approved substitutes or assistants at this time. Susan has 3 cats and one dog, all with current vet statements. Her home is in a rural setting though she has a public water supply. She has a large, open back yard space available for her outside play area. Susan is due to renew her certification effective 5/31/2027.

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2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Susan has significant experience in child care and offers the kids an environment with lots of space for play and activities. She describes her strengths as being reliable for the parents and finds it easy to communicate with the kids and families. Susan likes to keep a regular routine and schedule with the children so they know what to expect. She mixes lots of free play with lots of activities. They stress exercise and have lots of outside time as weather allows. Susan participates in the Food Program to enhance the nutrition of her meals and snacks.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8 (1) h : Has a minimum of one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway.
- Susan needs to repair/replace two of the smoke detectors in her lower level and said will have in place before next week when children return.

110.8 (4) b : Procedures are in place for:Evacuation to safely leave the facility,Relocation to a common, safe location after evacuation,Shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where the child is when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue,Lock down to protect children and providers from an external situation,Communication and reunification with families,Continuity of operations, andProcedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs.
- Susan was working on drafting a new Emergency Preparedness Plan on a blank template when I came for my visit but was not finished with it. She could not find her old copy and will need to send me a copy of the new plan by 9/30/2026.
Email: earl.crow@hhs.iowa.gov

No re-check is necessary if I receive the emailed plan by 9/30/2026.

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

The 2026 targeted compliance for the Emergency Preparedness Plan was conducted. Susan needs to email me a copy of a new plan by 9/30/2026.

I encourage Susan to work with Julia Green from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing or compliance needs. Julia can be reached at: (515) 202-1830

Susan has no current infants under 12 months of age in care at this time. We reviewed safe infant sleeping policies for future reference.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow Date: 8/31/2026

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