Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Crystal Stein

Provider Name: Crystal Stein

Provider No.: 43281

Address: 1004 E 5th ST, Vinton, IA, 52349

E-Mail:

County: Benton

Phone Number: 3194235458

[X] Pre-Inspection Date: 10/6/2026

[ ] Approval Date:

[ ] Annual Visit Date:

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)

[X] Toddler

[X] PreSchool

[X] School Age

[ ] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

Crystal was previously a non-registered childcare provider approved to receive CCA assistance from July 2014- May 2016. Crystal shared that she previously worked in the childcare field with her mother and had about five years of experience in a childcare center. She described working in the childcare field since 1994. This pre-inspection was completed on 10/6/26 for her to be an approved Registered provider. We did discuss the Food Program as a resource, and she may obtain some information about that. Crystal has a split-foyer home and plans to use the upper level /main level for childcare. She does have a large back yard for outdoor play. Crystal shared that she is willing to provide childcare from about 5am - 11pm (to accommodate both first and second shift workers). She is open to caring for children from the age of two through school age. Crystal does not have any pets. Crystal does not have an approved substitute or assistant.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

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Crystal does not yet have children enrolled so I was not able to verify interactions. Her Emergency Preparedness Plan was detailed. She does have a binder to use for required documentation, and we discussed using that to keep her files organized.
Crystal did have good questions for this worker and presented as having a strong desire to ensure she is doing everything per Regulations.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8(1)A. Emergency numbers posted for police, fire, ambulance, and poison information center.
Crystal did have a form to use but it was only partially filled out and it was not posted.
*Crystal did update this accordingly while this worker was present.

110.8 (4) a : Emergency and disaster plans for fire and tornado are written and posted by primary and secondary exits. The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes in case of fire, a safe place indoors in case of tornado, and flood shelter areas.
Crystal had drafted a diagram of the home and had that posted at each exit but it did not clearly map out evacuation routes.
*Crystal did develop an updated plan while this worker was present.

110.9 (1) a : Within six months of becoming registered, a physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, for all household members over the age of 18. Physical exams should be repeated every three years.
*Crystal does have 6 months to get this completed.

Within six months of becoming registered, children 18 years of age or younger residing in the household must have:
Admission physical exam report.
Immunization certificate.
For school age: Documentation of physical exam completed at time of school enrollment or since that time.
*Crystal had two children and has 6 months to get this completed

After the modification made on this date, Crystal has everything that is required at the time of the Pre-inspection.

If you have any questions, you may contact me via email at christy.weber@hhs.iowa.gov or via phone/text at 319-429-0749.

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:
Crystal shared that she does not plan to transport the childcare children.
Crystal shared that she does not ever use a swimming pool.
We did discuss safe sleep policies although Crystal does not plan to take children under the age of 2.
We did discuss the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time as a Category A provider.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. Crystal was in compliance with her EPP.

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She was encouraged to review it at least yearly to ensure that no changes need to be made.

Recommendations:
As of 7/1/25 providers are expected to notify all parents in writing that the state does allow parents to submit an exemption for immunizations (either religious or medical) in lieu of the immunization record for each child. We did discuss this and as well as other policies that are required at the time of her first annual inspection. Crystal does plan to develop a contract and policies.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 10/9/2026

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 I encourage you to work with Ravyn Phelps with Child Care Resource and Referral if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs. Ravyn Phelps can be reached at 563-594-9683