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Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is in regards to the compliance visit at your Registered Child Development Home B conducted on 02/28/2023. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. Your home is rated a 2 on 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**
441 IAC 110.8(1)"c"	Combustible materials shall be kept a minimum of three feet away from furnaces, stoves, water heaters, and gas dryers
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

Findings:

Per our 2/28/2023 spot check visit, the following corrections need to be made as described in the policy sections above:

1. Per our discussion, you need to create a little more space around your furnace.

2. You need to obtain a child safety lock for your lower kitchen cabinet, or need to move the chemicals/cleaners out of reach of children.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

I encourage you to work with Anna Schmitz from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.
Anna can be reached at: (319) 267-2644

Corrective Action Required:

The above corrections need to be in place by 5/12/2023. I will not conduct a re-check at your home, but will review the corrections during your next 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) 291-0008 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Earl Crow

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).