08/09/2024

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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 08/08/2024. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa 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**

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

441 IAC 110.8(1)"n" 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 Iowa 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

441 IAC 110.8(2) **Use of Outdoor Space**

441 IAC 110.8(2) "a" A safe outdoor play area shall be maintained in good condition throughout the year. The play area shall be fenced off when located on a busy thoroughfare or near a hazard which may be

injurious to a child, and shall have both sunshine and shade areas. The play area shall be kept free from litter, rubbish, and flammable materials and shall be free from contamination by drainage or ponding of sewage, household waste, or storm water.

441 IAC 110.8(4) **Emergency Plans**

441 IAC 110.8(4) Emergency Plans: plans in case of man-made or natural disaster shall be written and posted by the primary and secondary exits. The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes and tornado and flood shelter areas.

441 IAC 110.9 Files

441 IAC 110.9(1) **A provider file is maintained and shall contain the following:**

441 IAC 110.9(1)" a" A physician's examination report for the provider and all members of the provider's household aged 18 years or older. Acceptable physical examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report. All children residing in the household must have medical documentation outlined in 110.9(4) "d", 110.9(4) "f", and 110.9(4) "g"

441 IAC 110.9(4) Children's Files. An individual file for each child shall be maintained and updated annually or when the provider becomes aware of changes. The file shall contain:

a. Identifying information including, at a minimum, the child's name, birth date, parent's name, address, telephone number, special needs of the child, and the parent's work address and telephone number.

b. Emergency information including, at a minimum, where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city and telephone number of the child's regular source of health care, and the name, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency.

c. A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment.

d. An admission physical examination report signed by a licensed physician or designee in a clinic supervised by a licensed physician

1. The date of the physical examination shall not be more than 12 months before the child's first day of attendance at the child development home.

2. The written report shall include past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary.

3. For a child who is five years of age or older and enrolled in school, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian may be substituted for the physical examination report.

4. The examination report or statement of health status shall be on file before the child's first day of care

e. For children under the age of 6,a statement of health condition signed by a physician or designee submitted annually from the date of the admission physical. For a child who is enrolled in school, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian may be substituted for the physician statement.

f. For each school-age child, on the first day of attendance, documentation of a physical examination that was completed at the time of school enrollment or since.

g. A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health. For the school-age child, a copy of the most recent immunization record shall be acceptable.

h. For any child with allergies, a written emergency plan in the case of an allergic reaction. A copy of this information shall accompany the child if the child leaves the premises.

i. Documentation that is signed by the parent and names persons authorized to pick up the child. The authorization shall include the name, telephone number, and relationship of the authorized person to the child.

j. Written permission from the parent for the child to attend activities away from the child development home.**k.** Injury report forms documenting injuries requiring first aid or medical care

l. If the child meets the definition of homelessness as defined by section 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act, the family shall receive a 60-day grace period to obtain medical documentation.

Findings:

1. 110.8(1)h The provider does not have a smoke detector in the back playroom/changing room.

2. 110.8(1)n The provider did not have a copy of her dog, Olive's, annual exam.

3. 110.8(2)a The provider's outdoor play area is not maintained for the children, the grass is long and the outside toys need to be cleaned. The provider said that due to the rain and the heat she hasn't utilized her backyard yet this summer.

4. 110.8(4)a The provider does not have fire/tornado emergency plans/map posted at the back door.

5. 110.9(1) Provider File:
-The provider is missing current physicals for two household members (Jeff and Jacob).

6. 110.9(4) Children's files:
-The provider is missing current physicals/statements of health for some children's files.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

Corrections need to be made by 9/1/24 and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.

Photos need to be texted to SW Bailey by 9/1/2024 showing a smoke detector has been put in the changing room, the outside play area is cleaned and mowed, and Emergency/disaster maps are posted at the back door.

The vet forms, children's physicals and provider physicals will be checked at next year's compliance visit.

I encourage you to work with Tabitha Copeland from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.

Tabitha can be reached at: 563-362-8228

Corrective Action Required:

1. The provider needs to add a smoke detector to the changing room and send SW Bailey a photo by 9/1/2024.

2. The provider needs a current, annual, physical for dog, Olive, on form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate. This will be checked at next year's compliance visit.

3. The provider needs to mow the backyard play area and clean up the outside toys. The provider needs to text SW Bailey a photo of this completed by 9/1/2024.

4. The provider needs to post fire/tornado emergency plans/map by the back door and send SW Bailey a photo by 9/1/2024.

5. The provider needs current physicals for two household members (Jeff and Jacob) on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report. This will be checked at next year's compliance visit.

6. The provider needs current physicals/statements of health for all children enrolled. This will be checked at next year's compliance visit.

Addendums:

- Addendum1: An unapproved assistant was observed at the daycare during the annual compliance visit on 8/8/2024. The provider was caring for 10 children at the time of the visit. A Safety Plan is being sent to the provider on 9/6/2024 addressing this issue.

  The provider has not completed the expectations from the compliance visit to add a smoke detector to the changing room by 9/1/2024, mow the back yard and clean up the outside toys by 9/1/2024 and post fire/tornado plans with a map by the back door by 9/1/2024.

  SW Bailey called the provider on 9/6/2024 to address the above concerns. The provider agrees to sign the safety plan and return it to SW Bailey and to remedy the issues stated above and send photos by Tuesday 9/10/2024 at 5:00pm.

This Addendum is approved by supervisor on 11/5/2024 3:08:46 PM

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 319-800-4702 or hbailey@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Holly Bailey

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).