IOWA HHS **Iowa Department of Health And Human Services**

CHILD CARE COMPLIANT

Name of Provider	**County**	
Darsheem Shears	Scott	
Care Address	**City**	**Zip Code**
1602 W 6th ST	Davenport	52802
Mailing Address	**Mailing City**	**Mailing Zip Code**
1602 W 6th ST	Davenport	52802
Phone	**Email**	
303-995-8906		

Date of Complaint:	08/08/2023	**Date of Visit:**	08/11/2023

Type of Visit

[ ] Scheduled [X] Unannounced [ ] N/A

Compliance Regulation

[X] Non-Compliance with Regulations Found [ ] Compliance with Regulations Found

Recommendation for Registration:

[X] No Changes to registration status recommended

[ ] Revocation of Registration

[ ] Cancellation of Child Care Assistance Provider Agreement

Category of Care:

[X] Category A

[ ] Category B

[ ] Category C (with no co-provider)

[ ] Category C (with co-provider)

[ ] Non-registered Child Care Home with CCA Provider Agreement

Complaint Details:

Did this complaint result in a serious injury? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Did this complaint result in a death to a child? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Summary of Complaint:

Concerns reported that Darsheem has unapproved persons caring for child care children.

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Rule Basis and Findings of Complaint(s):

441 IAC 110.7(1)The provider meets the following requirements: a. Gives careful supervision at all times. b. Frequently exchanges information with the parent of each child to enhance the quality of care. c. Gives consistent, dependable care. Is capable of handling emergencies. d. Is present at all times, except if emergencies occur or an absence is planned. If absence is planned, care is provided by a HHS-approved substitute. If absence is planned, the parents are given at least 24 hours notice.

On 8/11/2023, this worker completed an unannounced visit to Darsheem's child development home. A female answered the door, stating that Darsheem was not there and he ran to the store. Female was not certain when he'd return. There were day care children present with this female and Darsheem was not on the property. The female called Darsheem and informed this worker he would be heading back now. This worker waited for Darsheem on the porch. Darsheem returned to his home a few minutes later. This worker discussed the concern with Darsheem that he had an unapproved individual watching children, specifically Deva Howard. Darsheem confirmed that the female who answered the door was Deva. Darsheem stated that Deva has not filled out any paperwork for him since he started his own child care. Darsheem stated that there was one day care child present today. Darsheem stated that he was under the impression that since Deva is approved as a substitute/assistant for her mother, she would be automatically approved for him. This worker explained the process of approving substitutes and assistants thoroughly to Darsheem, including the need for all subs and assistants to be gone through the Child Care Unit. This worker added that substitutes can not be utilized until Darsheem receives a HHS approval letter indicating that the individual has been approved for the role of substitute and/or assistant. This worker explained that Darsheem needs to contact the Child Care Unit to begin the background check process if he would like Deva to be approved. Darsheem expressed his understanding and stated that he would initiate the process at once. A look up in the KinderTrack system confimed that Darsheem contacted the CCA Unit on 8/14/2023 to add Deva as a substitute/assistant. It is further noted that Deva was previously approved as an assistant/substitute for her mother, but not currently.

Darsheem stated that he was unaware that he was out of compliance with this and stated that he now understood requirements. Darsheem understands that he is only allowed 25 hours of substitute care per month and he needs to maintain written documentation of all hours that a substitute provides care and he is not present in the child development home. This written documentation will be viewed at compliance visits annually or when HHS makes a visit.

Findings:
There is a preponderance of evidence to support the concern that Darsheem was utilized an unapproved individual as a substitute.

Resolution and Action Required:

No further action is required at this time.

Consultant's Signature:	Kathy Huinker	**Date of Visit:**	09/11/2023
Supervisor Signature:	Sheila Aunspach	**Date of Visit:**	09/18/2023