Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Tina Michels

Provider Name: Tina Michels

Provider No.: 19153

Address: 3793 188th AVE, Decorah, IA, 52101

E-Mail:

County: Winneshiek

Phone Number: 5637355517

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 7/2/2025

Program Type:

- [ ] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [X] 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
- [X] All Ages

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1. Basic Overview

I conducted an annual compliance check with Registered Child Development Home Category B provider Tina Michels on 7/2/2025. Tina has been active as a provider with the State since 10/2009. Tina manages a child care operation in a small town just 2 miles from the Minnesota border, and cares for children from both Iowa and Minnesota. Tina uses the main floor only of a ranch style home. She has no Department approved substitutes or assistants on her registration. Tina's current registration period is due for renewal 9/30/2025. Tina was caring for 5 children when I arrived. With no assistants, she stays at her 8 or less children during the summer months, balancing numerous part-time children.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Tina's operation is in a remote part of the State, where there are very few child care providers. Through conversation, I found Tina to be very creative in covering her needs with good use of any available local resources. For instance, she has bus service from both Iowa and Minnesota schools dropping children off at her home, and has many of her groceries delivered to the home. Tina has a fenced in section of her side yard with good shade available. She has a gate available to keep little ones out of the kitchen when necessary. Tina uses a private well for her water source and had a 3/2025 test conducted showing the water was safe for drinking. The random drawn child files I reviewed were in good order.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

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.

Tina needs to obtain a current physician signed statement of health for household member Bruce to have on file. This needs to be completed using the State form she has a copy of and needs to be renewed every 3 years. Tina needs to have this in place by 9/12/2025 and it will be reviewed during her next visit.

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

I encourage Tina to work with Phyllis Koester from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.
Phyllis can be reached at: (563) 382-4447

Tina had no infants under 12 months during our visit, but we reviewed current safe infant sleeping polices and rules.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow Date: 7/10/2025

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