Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Kristin Smith

Provider Name: Kristin Smith

Provider No.: 42903

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E-Mail:

County: Warren

Phone Number: 5154426433

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 10/8/2026

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

1. Basic Overview

Kristin Smith has been providing childcare services for over 12 years. She is currently working towards a college degree in early childhood education and is part of the Wages and Teach program. This childcare is a Level 1 IQ4K quality home. The provider does have one substitute who can be at the childcare in her absence. She also has four assistants that she can use to help with the children when needed. The provider works with the food program to provider balanced meals and snacks to the children. There were seven children in care at the time of the visit. The children had been outside playing and had just come inside to wash up and start getting ready for lunch. The older children moved to the playroom for toys, the infants were placed on the floor to move around. The childcare is on the main level of the home. The childcare uses the living room, dining room and one additional room that is a joint play and napping area.

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2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Compliance staff observed the provider and one of her assistants interact with the children. While the assistant was cooking the lunch, the provider was able to interact more with the children. Compliance staff observed redirection used with the children in care. Redirection looked like finding another activity to do that would give space between children as necessary. The provider reported that they strive to talk out situations with the children to help build their understanding.

The provider helped a couple of children sit at the counter and work with play dough. More children quickly joined in to have their own playdough set up while lunch was being finished. The provider has some structure to her day, but the children usually choose what they want to do. The provider will do learning actions with the children like asking about colors and showing letters or numbers so they start to recognize these things.

She reported that they are outside as much as they can. The last few days they have been outside in the mornings and afternoons.

Safe sleep was discussed at the visit. The pack n plays are movable and the provider will place them where she is when it is naptime.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.9 (2) c : Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within six months of employment.
110.9 (3) c : Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within three months of employment.

**The Mandatory Reporter training for two assistants and the substitute expired at the end of June. The provider was going to check with everyone to see if they had taken the course and received their updated certificates. Once the training has been completed, please have printed copies available for compliance staff to observe at your next visit.

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

5. Special Notes/recommendations

2026 targeted compliance measure: Emergency Preparedness Plan. The provider has a completed EP plan that identifies planned actions for evacuation, shelter in place, lockdown, communication and reunification. The plan also addresses continuity of care in the event of a disaster at the location of the childcare.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Stacy Burris Date: 10/14/2026

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 Kelly Phelps 515-802-7292