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Dear Child Care Provider,

This letter is in regards to the 10-21-15 compliance check of your Level B, Registered Child Development Home. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of my visit:

- 441 IAC 110.5(1)“b” All medicines and poisonous, toxic, or otherwise unsafe materials shall be secured from access by a child (*keep meds inaccessible and off counters*)
- 441 IAC 110.5(1)“j” Emergency 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. (*hang at both exits, gave form*)
- 441 IAC 110.5(1)“k” Fire and tornado drills shall be practiced monthly and the provider shall keep documentation evidencing compliance with monthly practice on file (*discussed need to document*)
- 441 IAC 110.5(1)“n” 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 (*hang in livingroom, need to document*)
- 441 IAC 110.5(1)“o” Smoking and the use of tobacco products shall be prohibited at all times in the home and in every vehicle in which children receiving care in the home are transported. Smoking and the use of tobacco products shall be prohibited in the outdoor play area during the home’s hours of operation. Nonsmoking signs shall be posted at every entrance of the child care home and in every vehicle used to transport children. (*need at both exits*)

All signs shall include:

- (1) The telephone number for reporting complaints, and
- (2) The Internet address of the department of public health (www.iowasmokefreeair.gov)

441 IAC 110.5(1)“u” The provider shall have written policies regarding the care of mildly ill children and exclusion of children due to illness and shall inform parents of these policies. *(work with CCRR to obtain policy)*

441 IAC 110.5(1) “v” The provider has written policies about responding to health-related emergencies.

441 IAC 110.5(2)“d” An individual file is maintained for each substitute and contains:

Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within 6 months of employment and repeated every 5 years. *(need on file for Bob)*

441 IAC 110.5(8) “d”. An admission physical examination report signed by a licensed physician or designee in a clinic supervised by a licensed physician (1)

(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

441 IAC 110.5(8) “e”. 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 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 physician statement. (1)

441 IAC 110.5(8) “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. (1)

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.**

Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 641-421-1219 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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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 641-424-9559.

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you need to use only DHS approved training and only 12 hours can be by self-study. You can access the approved training by going to http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child_Care/Professional_Development.html and you can sign up for 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).