



# Iowa Department of Human Services

Terry E. Branstad  
Governor

Kim Reynolds  
Lt. Governor

Charles M. Palmer  
Director

March 26, 2014

Trisha Schachtner  
910 11<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Humboldt, IA 50548

Dear Child Care Provider,

This letter is in regards 3-19-2014 to the compliance check of your Level A, 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:

- 110.5(1)c First-Aid supplies are available and easily accessible in the home, outdoor play area, any vehicle used to transport children, and on field trips.
- 110.5(1)c The first-aid kit is sufficient to address first aid related to minor injury or trauma and stored in an area not accessible to children.
- 110.5(1)e All accessible electrical outlets are safely capped.
- 110.5(1)g Safety barriers are at stairways and doors as needed. (the three kids Trish watches are all school age and can navigate the steps fine. If she were going to accept any other children, she would need a gate).
- 110.5(1)j Emergency and disaster plans for fire and tornado are written and posted by primary and secondary exits. (gave her the form)
- 110.5(1)j The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes in case of fire, a safe place indoors in case of tornado, and flood shelter areas.
- 110.5(1)k Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept.
- 110.5(1)n Has a minimum of one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway. (has purchased but not installed)
- 110.5(1)n Each smoke detector has been installed according to manufacturer's recommendations.
- 110.5(1)n Each smoke detector is tested monthly, and a record is kept for inspection purposes.

110.5(1)o Nonsmoking signs posted at every entrance of the home and in every vehicle used to transport children. Signs include telephone # for reporting complaints, and [www.iowasmokefreeair.gov](http://www.iowasmokefreeair.gov). (has but has not cut them out and hung them yet)

110.5(2) A provider file is maintained and contains:

110.5(2)a A physician's signed statement of health and immunization status on the provider and all members of the household who may be present when children are in the home. Statements must be obtained at the time of initial registration and updated every two years. (expired)

110.5(7) Children may bring food to the childcare home, but are not required to provide their own food. (encourages them not to)

110.5(8) Children's Files

110.5(8)e For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.

110.5(8)e For school aged children: An annual statement of health condition signed by the parent or legal guardian, annually from date of admission physical.

110.5(8)h For each school-age child, record of a physical exam completed at the time of school enrollment or since.

(physicals-Avyon, Ashlyn, and Brooklyn)

110.5(8)i Written permission from the parent(s) for their child to attend activities away from the child development home. It must include times of arrival and departure, destination, and person(s) responsible for the child.

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 within the next 45 days.**

Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home. This visit will occur after the 45 day time period has elapsed.

**Please check mark each of the boxes listed above when the necessary corrections have been completed. By doing so, you certify that you have completed all of the mandated regulatory requirements contained within each identified section.**

**I certify that I have taken all of the steps necessary to correct each of the identified violations noted above and am now in complete compliance with all of the Departmental mandated regulatory rules.**

**Please sign and date below, and return this form in the provided envelope by: May 4, 2014**

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 515-573-1640 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



Joni Duffy  
Webster Co DHS  
Social Worker II

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 Jody Lehman with Child Care Resource and Referral at 515-573-0147.

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](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).