



# Iowa Department of Human Services

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Rae Ludens  
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Dear Rae,

This letter is in regards to the 11/4/15 compliance check of your Level C, 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:

**FINDINGS:** *Identify FINDINGS in each area of non-compliance.*

441 IAC 110.5(1) Conditions in the home are safe, sanitary, and free of hazards.

441 IAC 110.5(1)“c” A first-aid kit shall be available and easily accessible whenever children are in the child development home, in the outdoor play area, in vehicles used to transport children, and on field trips. The kit shall be sufficient to address first aid related to minor injury or trauma and shall be stored in an area inaccessible to children. The kit shall, at a minimum, include adhesive bandages, antiseptic cleaning materials, disposable tweezers, and disposable plastic gloves.

**Rae will place disposable tweezers in her auto first aid kit.**

442 IAC 110.5(1)“d” Medications shall be given only with the parent’s or doctor’s written authorization. Each prescribed medication shall be accompanied by a physician’s or pharmacist’s direction. Both nonprescription and prescription medications shall be in the original container with directions intact and labeled with the child’s name. All medications shall be stored properly and, when refrigeration is required, shall be stored in a separate, covered container so as to prevent contamination of food or other medications. All medications shall be stored so they are inaccessible to children. Any medication administered to a child shall be recorded, and the record shall indicate the name of the medication, the date and time of administration, and the amount given

**Rae needs to obtain parental consent form for E.B. and document when medication is administered on form.**

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

**Rae needs to create documentation as to when detectors are checked.**

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.

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](http://www.iowasmokefreeair.gov))

**Rae needs to place compliant signs on her front door and north and west garage door.**

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.

**Rae needs to show policies as to how she would care for a daycare child that would become sick while in her care prior to that child's parents coming to pick them up.**

441 IAC 110.5(8) Children's Files. An individual file is maintained for each child and updated annually or when there are changes. Each file contains:

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) 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

**Need school-aged health status form for K.L.(8), K.L.(8), M.L., A.P., S.P.**

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.

**Need updated physical for E.B., R.J.(2), A.R.(3)**

**Suggestions for Improvement:**

**Rae needs to contact the central child care registration unit and switch Kamber's approval to both substitute and assistant.**

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 by 12/25/15.**

Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home on or after **12/25/15**.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 319-208-5521 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Chad Reckling  
Social Worker II

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Social Work Supervisor

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 1-866-324-3236.

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).