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Dear Child Care Provider,

This letter is in regards to the January 12, 2015 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)q All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites.

You reported your dog is current on all vet visits and vaccinations. Please locate the proper paper work and file it so it is easily accessible. For future veterinary visits, please use the form on page 26 of the packet provided at the time of the spot check.

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

☐110.5(2)b During the first year of registration – 12 hours of approved training. At least six hours shall be in a group setting. Two of the twelve hours must be health and safety training. A specific training shall not be used to meet requirements more than one time every five years.

Please be sure to locate and file all training certificates for easy access. If you need assistance with obtaining training hours please contact Erin Bonnichsen at Child Care Resource and Referral at 515-246-3560.

☐110.5(2)b During the second year of registration and each succeeding year, twelve hours of approved training. At least six hours shall be in a group setting. If the provider has documentation of completing the ChildNet, PITC, or Beyond Business Basics series, these hours may be used to fulfill two year's training requirements, not including first aid and mandatory reporter training. A specific training shall not be used to meet requirements more than one time every five years.

☐110.5(8) Children's Files

☐110.5(8) An individual file is maintained for each child and updated annually or when there are changes. Each file contains:

☐110.5(8)d For infants and preschoolers: An admission physical examination, on the first day of attendance, including past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary. The date of the exam is not more than 12 months before the child's first day of attendance.

Please request from parents.

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

You can use page 4 of the packet provided at the time of the spot check. Have the children's parent(s) take this to the child's physician to be completed.

☐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.

You can use page 4 of the packet provided at the time of the spot check. Have the children's parent(s) take this to the child's physician to be completed.

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

Please request from parent(s).

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.

x☐Based on the items out of compliance listed above, a recheck or follow up visit to your home is not necessary. However, it is essential you provide documentation to the Department that certifies you have corrected each of the identified regulatory violations and are now in complete compliance with all Departmental regulatory mandates. **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: March 9, 2015.

X_____ _____
Signature Date

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 515-993-1742 or mcrawfo@dhs.state.ia.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Melissa Crawford
Social Worker II

C. Mark Chappelle
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 1-800-722-7619.

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).