



# Iowa Department of Human Services

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Beth Martone  
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Dear Ms Martone,

This letter is in regards to the February 19, 2014 compliance check of your Category 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:

110.4 No more children are in care than the rules for the specific category will allow.

**You were one over capacity at the time of my visit. Just be mindful of your variable daycare children to ensure that you are always at 12 infant/toddler age children at any one time, which is what Category C allows for. Children who are 5, but not yet in Kindergarten count as infant/toddler category.**

## 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.

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

## 110.10(1) SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT HOME CATEGORY "C"

110.10(1) a Not more than 12 preschool children present at any one time, including infants.

**This was the only point that was slightly out of compliance. I included the remaining criteria just for your reference.**

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110.10(1)b Of these 12 children, not more than four children under the age of 24 months are present at any one time.

110.10(1)c Not more than two additional school-age children present for less than two hours at any one time.

110.10(1)d Not more than two additional children who are receiving care on a part-time basis.

110.10(1)e Not more than sixteen children present when the emergency school closing exception is in effect.

110.10(1)e If more than 8 children are present at any one time due to an emergency school closing exception, the provider shall be assisted by a DHS-approved assistant who is at least 18 years of age.

110.10(1)f Both providers are present whenever 4 children under the age of 18 months are in care, and whenever more than 8 children are present.

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 on or before April 7, 2014.**

Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a re-check or follow-up visit to your home. This visit will occur on or after \_\_\_\_\_.

Based on the items out of compliance listed above, a re-check or follow-up visit to your home is not necessary. However, it is essential you come into 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: April 7, 2014.**

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

Please call me if you have any further questions.

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 (Text field for phone).

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).