



# Iowa Department of Human Services

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Dear Child Care Provider,

This letter is in regards to the 9/17/13 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:

- 110.5(1)j Emergency and disaster plans for fire and tornado are written and posted by primary and secondary exits.
- 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.
- 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).
- 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.
- 110.5(1)v The provider has written policies about responding to health-related emergencies.
- 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.

110.5(2)b Certificates or training verification documentation for:

110.5(2)b Within the first three months of registration:

110.5(2)b Two hours of approved child abuse and neglect mandatory reporter training (and every 5 years thereafter.)

110.5(2)b Certification by an approved trainer/organization in infant and child first-aid that includes mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Certification will be maintained throughout period of registration. If they are unable to locate first aid training that includes mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, they must complete both a first aid course and CPR.

110.5(4) The certificate of registration is displayed in a conspicuous place.

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)a Identifying information including, at a minimum, the child's name, birth date, parent's name, address, telephone number, special needs of the child and the parent's work address and telephone number. **Update**

110.5(8)b Emergency information including where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city and telephone of the child's regular doctor, and the name number, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency. **Update**

110.5(8)c A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment. **Update**

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)f A list signed by the parent which names persons authorized to pick up the child, their telephone number, and relationship to the child. **Update**

110.5(8)g A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health.

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.**

**You must come into immediate compliance with the smoke detector requirements.**

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.

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: 11/15/13**

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

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 255-2913 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Molly Reynoldson  
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 Child Care Resource and Referral at 712-541-3314.

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).