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Dear Child Care Provider,

This letter is in regards to the October 8, 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:

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

441 IAC 110.5(1)"a" All travel vehicles must have a paper copy of emergency parent contact information

441 IAC 110.5(1)"k" Fire and tornado drills shall be practiced monthly and the provider shall keep documentation evidencing compliance with monthly practice on file

There is a form on page 7 you can use to track practice runs. I suggest placing it in a visible location such as a refrigerator or cupboard where you are going to see it and remember to practice. Practicing is very important for the children as it helps them respond automatically in the event of a true emergency.

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

441 IAC 110.5(2)"a" A physician's examination report for the provider and all members of the household. Acceptable physical examinations shall be documented on Form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report. The examination shall include any necessary testing for communicable diseases; a discussion of recommended vaccinations; completed no more than six months prior to initial registration; completed by a licensed medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy, physician assistant or advanced registered nurse practitioner; and repeated at least every three years.

There is a required form on page 25 of the packet which should be used for all physicals of household members 18 and older, as well as any substitutes/assistants if appropriate. Minor household members should have some verification of a physical every 2 years and a current immunization record. The required form for adults is good for a period of 3 years.

- 441 IAC 110.5(2)“b” (1) Certificates or training verification and record check documentation.

During the first year of registration, the provider shall receive a minimum of 12 hours of training from one or more of the following content areas. The provider shall receive at least 6 of these hours in a group setting. A provider shall not use a specific training or class to meet minimum continuing education requirements more than one time every five years

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 you need assistance locating a course please contact Child Care Resource and Referral at 515-246-3560. There are also some online courses available to you to meet some of the credit requirements; those can be found on page 21 of the packet. Please note online courses typically come with a fee and will not fulfill all hours required. You will need to have 12 hours each year you are registered without repeating a course once but every 5 years.

You do have the option of becoming unregistered which does not require this type of course work. You can continue to operate with a maximum of 5 children at any one time.

- 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

Needed for child R.R.

- 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.

Needed for child L.B.

441 IAC 110.5(8) "g". A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health. For the school-age child, a copy of the most recent immunization record shall be acceptable.

Needed for child R.R. Please check all files have a current record in place.

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.**

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 on/or after____

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: November 30, 2015.

X _____
Signature Date

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 515-993-1742 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 515-246-3560 or 1-800722-7619.

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).