## **Notice of Findings**

**Notice To:** ALICE H ANDERSON - Director

Facility Name: I'm Special 2

**Owner:** 

Site Address: 401 Grande Vista Rd.

City/State/Zip: Torrington, WY 82240

The Department of Family Services has completed the investigation regarding alleged violation(s) of the Wyoming Child Care Rules received on 12/10/2021, and investigated by Kathy Geringer.

A statement of childcare allegation, CPL-5196, was provided on 12/15/2021.

The finding is listed below for each individual alleged violation of the Wyoming Child Care Licensing Rules:

## 1. Finding: Non-Compliant

Regulation: Chapter 5. Rules for Certification Of A Family Child Care Home (FCCH)
Section 2. Capacity/Supervision Requirements
(b) There shall be at least one (1) adult staff supervising the care of children at all times and the following supervision requirements also apply:
(i) Awake infants and toddlers shall be directly supervised by staff at all times;

Allegation: A report has been received that on 12/9/21 at least one toddler was in the living room unsupervised while Mrs. Ali Anderson was preparing lunch.

Explanation of Findings: Based on interviews this allegation was found to be non-compliant. Awake children who are under three years old must be supervised within sight and sound at all times.

Action Required: Please send a letter or email to the Licenser by 12/28/21 stating the violation of supervision of children under three years of age has been corrected. Please send a Corrective Action Plan to the Licenser by 1/4/22, stating how you will ensure children under three years of age will be within your sight and sound when awake.

Corrective Action Plan Due Date: 01/04/2022 Corrective Action Plan Achieved Date: Compliance Due Date: 12/28/2021 Compliance Achieved Date:

2. Finding: Compliant

Regulation: Chapter 4. General Requirements Section 2. Capacity/Supervision Requirements

(i) In order to be counted in the staff:child ratio, staff shall be attending to the children. Necessary cooking, cleaning, janitorial, or similar tasks performed by a staff person counted in the staff:child ratio may take no longer than a few minutes, shall be done in such a way that the children are within sight and sound of the staff person, and the staff person can quickly and easily leave the task to handle direct child caring duties.

Allegation: A report has been received that while Mrs. Ali Anderson prepares lunch children are not within her sight and sound, they are in the living room while they are picking up toys.

Explanation of Findings: There is not enough evidence to show a violation of the supervision of children who are over three years of age.

Action Required: Please remember that when cooking, all children need to be within sight and sound of the staff who is counted in ratios.

Corrective Action Plan Due Date: Corrective Action Plan Achieved Date: Compliance Due Date: Compliance Achieved Date: The Department requests your cooperation in ensuring compliance is met. In the absence of cooperation, the Department may take whatever steps are necessary to ensure the safety of children.

The Department's information may be shared with the authorized individuals or agencies, which include, but are not limited to, the Attorney General, County Attorney, and law enforcement.

If you disagree with the Department's finding of non-compliance for a violation, you may request an Administrative hearing within (10) days of your receipt of this letter (W.S. 14-4-108). Administrative hearing procedures are included in the Department of Family Services' **Wyoming Child Care Licensing Rules, Chapter 3, Section 5: Contested Case Hearing Rules**, and based upon the above statute. If you have questions, or need a copy of the Rules, you may contact the Department of Family Services Field office in the county where you live.

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Signature:

Date: <u>12/21/2021</u>

Kathy Geringer

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