

Date Issued	November 06, 2025	Status	Closed
Provider Name	AWARE, KEZHAL		
Provider ID	018025389		
Provider Address	2917 E 12th St, Sioux Falls, SD 57103, USA		
Provider Contact	KEZHAL AWARE		

The items listed below are those that the provider was not in compliance with at the time of the inspection.

Compliance Plan Action #1

Administrative Rule:

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A provider shall maintain a record for each child that includes:

- (1) The child's name and date of birth;
- (2) The parent or guardian's name and telephone number;
- (3) An emergency contact name and telephone number;
- (4) Parental permission for emergency medical treatment;
- (5) The names of individuals authorized to pick up the child;
- (6) Health information, including any allergies or special needs;
- (7) A current immunization record or, for a school-age program, the name of the child's school;
- (8) Parental permission for medication;
- (9) The child's attendance records;
- (10) The date of the child's enrollment; and
- (11) The date on which the child's enrollment ends.

The provider shall annually review and update each record required under this section, and make the child's record available to the department, upon request.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of inspection, two children's records were missing the children's information forms, two children's dates of enrollment were missing, and two children were missing immunizations.

Corrections to be Made:

The provider will ensure that all required information for each child is obtained by 10/30/2025.

Corrections Made:

Verification of compliance received on 11/12/2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:
November 12, 2025

Date Completed:
November 12, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #2

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:15

A child care provider shall maintain a record for each employee that includes:

- (1) The employee's name and date of birth;
- (2) The dates on which the employee began and ended employment;
- (3) Documentation of orientation and ongoing annual training, if the employee provides direct care and supervision of children;
- (4) A statement that:
 - (a) Defines child abuse and neglect;
 - (b) Sets forth the employee's responsibility to report all incidents of child abuse or neglect in accordance with SDCL 26-8A-3 and 26-8A-8; and
 - (c) Is signed by the employee; and
- (5) The results of the background check.

All records required by this section must be reviewed and updated at least annually by the provider, made available to the department for verification of the contents, and retained by the provider for six months after the employee leaves the program.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of inspection, one provider did not have documentation of current CPR certification or annual training hours, and the other provider did not have current hands-on skills testing for infant child CPR.

Corrections to be Made:

The provider will ensure that all required provider and assistant information is obtained by 10/30/25.

Corrections Made:

Documentation showing all required information was submitted on 11/7/2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:
November 07, 2025

Date Completed:
November 07, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #3

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:43

A provider shall have:

- (1) A written emergency preparedness and response plan for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a man-caused event;
- (2) A written plan for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, or a lock-down, that includes accommodations for infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities or medical conditions;

- (3) A written procedure for communication and reunification with parents; and
- (4) A written procedure for the continuity of operations.

A provider shall practice the evacuation, shelter-in-place, and lock down procedures, outlined in the emergency preparedness and response plan, at least twice each calendar year. The provider shall document the dates on which the procedures are practiced. A provider shall communicate the emergency preparedness and response plan to each individual at the time the individual begins employment.

Except for family day care, all child care providers shall have liability insurance. Proof of current liability insurance shall be made available to the department, upon request.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of inspection, the written emergency preparedness and response plan did not have current contact information for local agencies in the event of an emergency.

During inspection, documentation of two annual evacuation, shelter-in-place, and lock down procedures were not available.

Corrections to be Made:

The provider will ensure that the written emergency preparedness and response plan contains all the required information.

The provider will ensure that documentation of two annual evacuation, shelter-in-place, and lock down procedures is obtained.

Corrections Made:

The provider submitted the emergency preparedness and response plan.

Verification of the required emergency drills was submitted.

Anticipated Completion Date:

November 06, 2025

Date Completed:

November 06, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #4

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:37

Center and school-age programs operating outside of a school building shall follow applicable construction and fire safety requirements, as outlined in chapters 61:15:05 and 61:15:06. School-age programs operating in a school building shall follow applicable construction and fire safety requirements, as outlined in chapters 61:15:01, 61:15:02, and 61:15:07.

A family day care home must have the following fire safety measures in place:

- (1) A working smoke detector must be located on each level of the home;

- (2) A fully charged, portable fire extinguisher, with a minimum 2A rating, as identified on the extinguisher label, must be kept in or within fifteen feet of the kitchen or food preparation area;
- (3) A carbon monoxide detector must be installed, according to the manufacturer's instructions, if a fuel burning appliance is present in the home;
- (4) Each level of the home must have at least two remote exits that shall remain clear of obstructions. One of these exits must be a standard-sized door, and the other may be either a standard-sized door or an unobstructed, operable window, having at least five square feet of openable space, with a minimum width of twenty inches and a minimum height of twenty-four inches; and
- (5) Whenever a portable space heater, a wood burning stove, or a fireplace is in use, the heater, stove, or fireplace must be inaccessible to children.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

During inspection, the upstairs smoke detector did not sound when tested.

Corrections to be Made:

The provider will ensure the smoke detectors on all levels of the home are operable by 10/30/2025.

Corrections Made:

Verification of compliance was submitted on 11/06/2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:

November 06, 2025

Date Completed:

November 06, 2025

Your signature below certifies you have read and understand the non-compliance findings and agree to make corrections to be compliant with the identified administrative rules.

Kezhal Aware

Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

November 06, 2025

Date

The Department of Social Services, Office of Licensing and Accreditation has reviewed and accepted the above plan.

Morgan Giraldo

Printed Name of DSS Staff

Megan Gindler

10/10/2025, 1:00:53 PM

Signature of DSS Staff:

October 10, 2025

Date