

Date Issued	January 05, 2026	Status	Closed
Provider Name	PITTER PATER PLAYHOUSE		
Provider ID	018042828		
Provider Address	8610 W 22nd St, Sioux Falls, SD 57106, USA		
Provider Contact	Michele Kuemper		

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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All child care providers, program employees age fourteen and older, and family day care household members age eighteen and older, shall meet federal background check requirements. An individual may not provide care, or work in a child care setting, if the individual's background check reveals:

- (1) A crime that indicates harmful behavior towards children;
- (2) A crime of violence, as defined in SDCL 22-1-2, or in a similar statute from another state;
- (3) A sex crime pursuant to SDCL chapters 22-22 or 22-24A, SDCL 22-22A-3, or similar statutes from another state;
- (4) A felony conviction for domestic abuse, physical assault, battery, kidnapping, or arson;
- (5) Any other felony conviction, within the preceding five years; or
- (6) A substantiated report of child abuse or neglect.

A family day care provider may not provide care in the provider's home, if any household member's background check reveals any item listed in this section.

A background check is required at least once every five years.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of the inspection, two staff required completed background checks and two staff required 5 year background checks.

Corrections to be Made:

Documentation of completed background checks to be provided to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

12/18/2025 On this date, the two five year background checks were received, as well as one background check.

01/05/2026 On this date the final cleared background check was observed on the portal.

Anticipated Completion Date:

Date Completed:

Compliance Plan Action #2**Administrative Rule:**

67:42:17:27

Before any medication is administered to a child, permission of the parent or guardian must be documented and must include the name of the child, the name of the medication, and the dates, times, and dosage of the medication.

The medication must be provided by the parent and kept in the original container, with the original label. The label for a prescription medication must contain the child's name, the amount and frequency of dosage, the expiration date, the physician or other licensed practitioner's name, and instructions for storage. The medication must be returned to the parent when no longer needed or expired.

The provider shall document, in the child's record, any medication administered to a child and shall include the dose, the name of the child, the time and date administered, and the name of the person administering the medication. The documentation must be retained for at least six months and be made available to the child's parent upon request.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of the inspection, there were medications at the site that were expired or not labeled for specific children.

Corrections to be Made:

The expired medication is to be returned to the parents. Unlabeled medication is to be disposed of. Documentation of these actions to be provided to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

All expired medication has been returned to the parents. Unlabeled medications have been disposed of.

Anticipated Completion Date:

January 05, 2026

Date Completed:

December 18, 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 the inspection, an additional lock down drill needs to be completed.

Corrections to be Made:

Documentation of completed drill to be provided to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

Documentation of drill date received on 12-18-2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:
December 31, 2025

Date Completed:
December 18, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #4

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 the inspection, one employee did not have the signed Child/Abuse Neglect reporting statement in their file.

Corrections to be Made:

Documentation of the signed statement to be provided to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

A copy of the signed statement was received on 12-18-2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:

December 31, 2025

Date Completed:

December 18, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #5**Administrative Rule:**

67:42:17:42

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 the inspection some children did not have the names of individuals authorized to pick up the children listed in their file.

One child did not have an emergency contact name and telephone number listed in their file.

Corrections to be Made:

Documentation of names to be provided to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

Documentation of updated records was received on 12-18-2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:

December 31, 2025

Date Completed:

December 18, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #6**Administrative Rule:**

67:42:17:24

Before a child may be admitted to a registered or licensed day care provider, the provider must require the child's parent or guardian to submit a statement, signed by a licensed physician, physician's assistant, certified nurse practitioner, or community health nurse, or an immunization record from the South Dakota Immunization Information System, showing that the child meets the minimum immunization requirements according to 45 C.F.R. § 98.41(a)(1)(i)(A), in effect on September 30, 2016.

The provider shall ensure that immunizations of all children are current.

For children who begin the series late or are more than one month behind in immunizations, the documentation must show progress toward achieving immunization requirements, as determined by a licensed physician, or other licensed practitioner. A grace period may be approved by the department for a child experiencing homelessness or a child in foster care.

A child is exempt from meeting the minimum age-specific immunization levels if:

- (1) The child's parent or guardian has certification from a licensed physician, or other licensed practitioner, stating that the physical condition of the child is such that an immunization would endanger the child's life or health; or
- (2) The child's parent or guardian has signed a written statement that the child is an adherent to a religious doctrine whose teachings are opposed to such immunizations.

If a child becomes ill while at a day care, the provider must separate the child from other children and notify the child's parents. If any child in the program contracts a communicable disease, the provider must notify the Department of Health. The program provider shall follow the Department of Health's recommendations for addressing a situation involving a communicable disease.

To prevent the spread of an infestation or infectious disease, a program shall provide an individual storage unit or container for each child's personal articles.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of the inspection, several children need documentation of current immunization records.

Corrections to be Made:

Documentation of current immunization records to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

Current shot records were received on 12-18-2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:
December 31, 2025

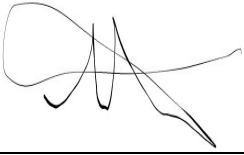
Date Completed:
December 18, 2025

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.

Michele Kuemper

Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

December 11, 2025

Date

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

Rita Trager

Printed Name of DSS Staff



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Signature of DSS Staff:

December 02, 2025

Date