
Date Issued	March 12, 2026	Status	Closed
Provider Name	<u>Hillsview Day Care Center</u>		
Provider ID	<u>016599178</u>		
Provider Address	<u>1200 N 10th St, Spearfish, SD 57783, USA</u>		
Provider Contact	<u>Valerie Thoreson</u>		

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:

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:

An exit sign in the basement did not light up when tested.

Church storage closet and utility room doors have locks on the exterior side of door allowing a person to be locked inside.

Corrections to be Made:

The exit sign must be fixed and verification must be sent to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Door knobs should be reversed or replaced to ensure no person can be trapped in the space.

Corrections Made:

The exit sign was fixed and photo verification was submitted to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

The door knobs and locks were reversed and photo verification was submitted to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Anticipated Completion Date:
March 27, 2026

Date Completed:
March 12, 2026

Compliance Plan Action #2

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:25

All equipment, utensils, kitchenware, dining tables, and food contact surfaces of equipment must be washed, rinsed, and sanitized after each meal. Toys capable of being placed in a child's mouth must be cleaned and sanitized daily, using a solution approved by the department.

All providers, program employees, and children shall wash their hands with soap, before preparing food or beverages, eating, handling food, or feeding a child, and after changing a diaper, using the toilet, helping a child use a toilet, or coming into contact with bodily fluid.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

Hand sink in kitchen did not have hand soap or paper towels.

Corrections to be Made:

Program must ensure that hand sinks are stocked with soap and paper towels, and verification must be sent to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

The program provided pictures of the bathroom stocked with soap and paper towels.

Anticipated Completion Date:
February 27, 2026

Date Completed:
March 05, 2026

Compliance Plan Action #3

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:35

Playgrounds for all child care settings must be safe, in good repair, and free of debris, trash, and weeds. Playground equipment must be installed according to the manufacturer's instructions and maintained in good repair.

For a center program, a fence that measures at least four feet high is required around the center's outdoor play space.

For a family day care or school-age program, a fence that measures at least forty-two inches high may be required to separate the outdoor play space, if the department determines a body of water, vehicular traffic, or other hazard poses

a risk of injury or death to a child.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

A climbing tower on the playground is cracked and two screws are not sheered to the bolt.

Corrections to be Made:

The climbing tower must be repaired or removed, once completed, verification must be submitted to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

The playground structure was removed from the playground and pictures were submitted to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation.

Anticipated Completion Date:
March 24, 2026

Date Completed:
March 06, 2026

Compliance Plan Action #4

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:32

All walls, ceilings, floors, and equipment must be easily cleanable, kept clean, and in good repair. Heating and cooling systems must maintain a temperature between sixty-five degrees Fahrenheit and seventy-five degrees Fahrenheit. For a child care center and school-age program, all heating and cooling systems must be inspected annually, by a certified technician.

Food preparation areas, including tables and countertops, must be made of a smooth, nonporous material, kept clean and sanitized, be free of cracks, and be in good repair. Center and school-age programs, in which more than twenty children are cared for, must provide a ventilation hood over all cooking areas. The hood must be appropriate for the type of appliance and intended use, as required in § 61:15:01:01.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

Walls in the multi-purpose room have peeling paint and the ceiling in the basement is stained from damage.

Corrections to be Made:

All walls, ceilings, floors, and equipment must be easily cleanable, kept clean, and in good repair. When repairs are made verification must be sent to the Office of Licensing and Accreditation. The program has requested additional time to repair the walls and ceiling.

Corrections Made:

The program repaired all the walls and the ceiling in the daycare and submitted picture verification.

Anticipated Completion Date:
June 01, 2026

Date Completed:
April 14, 2026

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.

Valerie Thoresen

Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

March 12, 2026

Date

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

Tina Uecker

Printed Name of DSS Staff



Signature of DSS Staff:

March 03, 2026

Date
