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Gretchen Preston and Rita Krans  
Gretchen's House Inc.  
4531 Concourse Dr.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48108

RE: License #: DC310288533  
**Little Huskies Child Care Center**  
**500 MacInnes Dr.**  
**Houghton, MI 49931**

Dear Mrs. Preston and Mrs. Krans:

This letter is a follow-up to the Department's findings regarding the interim inspection conducted at your center on 6/23/2021. The purpose of this inspection was to determine compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules for Child Care Centers.

The violations that were found are:

**R 400.8161                      Emergency procedures.**

(5) A fire drill program, consisting of at least 1 fire drill quarterly, must be established and implemented.

The center is overdue for a quarterly fire drill. The last one logged was conducted on 1/21/21. (Quarterly is defined in technical assistance as no more than 3 months between drills.)

**R 400.8545                      Fire extinguishers.**

(3) Fire extinguishers shall be properly mounted, inspected, and maintained in accordance with NFPA-10. The fire extinguisher shall bear a tag indicating the last date of inspection or service

and the initials of the person who performed the inspection or service.

The fire extinguishers at the center are overdue for yearly charging. They were last serviced in Jan. 2020.

The monthly visual inspections have been done by staff and were noted on the tag.

**CONSULTATION:**

- The center uses central air for ventilation. During the inspection, I noticed windows in the infant room, preschool room and office without screens. Make sure these windows aren't opened.

Due to the violations, you must send us a corrective action plan by 7/18/2021. You can use our [corrective action plan](#) form or create your own.

If you need help writing the corrective action plan, please contact me. If you do not send a corrective action plan, you may face disciplinary action. The corrective action plan must include the following:

- How compliance with each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific time frames for each violation as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- How continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- The signature of the responsible party and a date.

Upon receipt of an acceptable corrective action plan, there will be no change to your license status.

<b>During calendar year 2020:</b>	<b>Total</b>
Number of serious injuries that occurred in facility.	<b>0</b>
Number of deaths that occurred in the facility.	<b>0</b>
Number of substantiated cases of abuse and/or neglect of a child that occurred at the facility.	<b>0</b>

You can find a copy of this inspection letter and any associated corrective action plans on our [website](#) under [Statewide Search for Licensed Child Care Centers and Homes](#). A description of when inspection letters are completed can be found under [Overview of Licensing Reports](#).

Please contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at (906) 226-4171.

Per MCL 722.113g, this report and any related corrective action plans must be filed in your Licensing Notebook.

Sincerely,

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