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April 24, 2023

Rose Aho
621 Louis Ave.
Royal Oak, MI 48067

RE: License #: DF630304519
Investigation #: 2023D0019010
Rose Aho

Dear Ms. Aho:

I conducted a special investigation because the child care licensing division received information regarding your facility that related to licensing rules or law. The information was related to the following:

R 400.1911	Care; supervision; children.
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The details of the information are in the attached report. To investigate:

- I interviewed: the person who made the complaint, licensee, child care staff member, and parents.
- I completed on-site inspections on the following dates: 02/24/2023.

As a result of this investigation, I recommend no change to the current license status. I did not find any violations. The special investigation report is attached.

I recommend no change to the current license status.

During this special investigation:	Yes	No
A rule or law violation was found and a serious injury or death occurred.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
A rule or law violation was found and abuse and/or neglect of a child occurred.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

This report and any related corrective action plans must be filed in your licensing notebook. This report and any related corrective action plans will be online for parents to review under the [Statewide Search for Licensed Child Care Centers and Homes](#).

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and 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 (517) 284-9730.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
CHILD CARE LICENSING BUREAU
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	DF630304519
Investigation #:	2023D0019010
Complaint Receipt Date:	02/16/2023
Investigation Initiation Date:	02/21/2023
Report Due Date:	04/17/2023
Licensee Name:	Rose Aho
Licensee Address:	621 Louis Ave. Royal Oak, MI 48067
Licensee Telephone #:	(248) 506-6597
Administrator:	N/A
Licensee Designee:	N/A
Name of Facility:	Rose Aho
Facility Address:	621 Louis Ave. Royal Oak, MI 48067
Facility Telephone #:	(248) 506-6597
Original Issuance Date:	01/06/2010
License Status:	REGULAR
Effective Date:	01/06/2023
Expiration Date:	01/05/2025
Capacity:	7
Program Type:	CHILD CARE FAMILY HOME (CAPACITY 1-6)

II. ALLEGATION(S)

	Violation Established?
Ms. Aho took photographs of Child A (three-year old, male) while he showered in her child care home.	No

III. METHODOLOGY

02/16/2023	Special Investigation Intake 2023D0019010
02/21/2023	Special Investigation Initiated - Telephone spoke to complainant.
02/21/2023	Contact- Telephone call made. to Child A's Mother
02/24/2023	Inspection Completed On-site from 3 pm to 4 pm
02/24/2023	Exit conference with Rose Aho
03/16/2023	Contact - Document Received email from Ms. Aho
03/17/2023	Contact - Document Sent Email sent to Ms. Aho
04/10/2023	Contact - Document Received email- from Ms. Aho child information records received.
04/17/2023	Contact - Telephone call made. Child B's Mother
04/17/2023	Contact - Telephone call made. Child C's Mother
04/17/2023	Contact - Telephone call made. Child D's Mother
04/17/2023	Contact - Telephone call made. Child E's Mother
04/17/2023	Contact - Telephone call made. Child F's Mother

04/17/2023	Inspection completed Full Compliance
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ALLEGATION: Ms. Aho took photographs of Child A while he showered in her child care home.

INVESTIGATION: On 02/21/20223, I spoke to the complainant. The complainant stated that Child A said that Ms. Aho took pictures of him while he was in the shower. There is a concern regarding the supervision and care provided in Ms. Aho’s child care home.

On 02/21/2023, I spoke to Child A’s Mother. She reported that Child A attended Ms. Aho’s care home from September 2021 to December 2021. Child A was two years old at the time he attended care at Ms. Aho’s home. Child A told her that he took baths and showers with other children at the child care home. Additionally, Child A’s Mother observed that Child A diapered his stuffed animal, propped it up, and took a picture of it. Child A’s Mother asked Ms. Aho if she bathes children or if children shower while in her care. Ms. Aho informed her that children do not bathe or shower at the child care home. Ms. Aho told her that she has washed children’s feet in the kitchen sink.

Recently (an exact date is unknown), Child A talked about Ms. Aho’s child care home while he ate Fruit Loops and called it his, “Sad day care.” Child A’s Mother stated she believed eating Fruit Loops reminded him of Ms. Aho, because she served Fruit Loops for meals and snacks and he called it his, “Sad daycare,” because he cried at drop off times. Child A’s Mother asked Child A if Ms. Aho ever took pictures of Child A in the shower and Child A stated that she did. Child A’s Mother did not receive any photographs from Ms. Aho, outside of what is placed in the child care newsletter.

Child A’s Mother stated that newsletter pictures included things like children playing outside, art activities, and holiday events.

On 02/24/2023 I completed an unannounced onsite inspection. I interviewed Ms. Aho and CCSM A (child care assistant). Ms. Aho informed me that children never take showers or baths at her child care home. She said she has washed children’s feet in the sink and used washed clothes or wipes to clean children, if needed. Ms. Aho stated that she requests written permission from parents prior to taking photographs. The permission to photograph children is in the parent contract that parents sign annually. She takes pictures of children doing projects (documented learning), spirit days, circle time, or pictures that show the curriculum theme for the week. She said children are never propped up for photographs. Ms. Aho informed me she is a professional photographer and does have a camera that she will occasionally use to take photographs of children in care participating in different activities.

I interviewed CCSM A. She started working for Ms. Aho in 2021. She stated she has never bathed or showered any children and never observed Ms. Aho do so. CCSM A stated that children are occasionally photographed while playing or engaging in

activities. Children are not propped up or positioned when photographs are taken. CCSM A has never observed any concerning behavior by Ms. Aho and feels appropriate care and supervision is consistently provided.

I observed children in Ms. Aho's care engaged in a variety of developmentally appropriate activities, including playing with other children, playing with toys, and eating snacks. Ms. Aho and CCSM A displayed positive child interactions and communication.

I observed the child care use space. The child care home has a bathroom on the main level. There is no shower or tub inside the main floor bathroom. Ms. Aho stated that this is the bathroom that children use. Children never use the second story of the home and do not use other bathrooms on other levels of the child care home.

On 04/10/2023 I received child information records for Child B, C, D, E, F, and G.

On 04/17/2023 I called Child B's Mother, Child C's Mother, Child D's Mother, Child E's Mother, and Child F's Mother.

Child B's Mother stated Ms. Aho has provided care to her children for four to five years. She said Ms. Aho is always helpful and has been an amazing caregiver to her children. She stated that Ms. Aho does not provide baths and showers and her children have never been bathed or showered by Ms. Aho. Child B's Mother is satisfied with the care provided and has no concerns regarding supervision of children.

Child C's Mother said Ms. Aho has provided care to her children for three years. She has not had any concerns regarding the care and supervision of children in Ms. Aho's child care home. She said her children have never bathed or showered in Ms. Aho's home. Child C's Mother said that Ms. Aho asks parents for permission prior to taking any photographs. She added that Ms. Aho will host water day activities at her home. On these days children will run in the sprinkler and play in the water table.

Child D's Mother stated she has used the child care for the last year. She has not had any issues with Ms. Aho or concerns with the care and supervision provided. She stated that her child has never taken a bath or shower at Ms. Aho's home.

Child E's Mother indicated she has used the child care home for the last year and a half. She has no concerns regarding the care and supervision provided by Ms. Aho. She said she signed a form giving consent to have her child photographed at the time of enrollment. Child E's Mother stated that Ms. Aho does not bathe or shower her child.

Child F's Mother stated she has used the facility for three to four years. She has never had any concerns regarding Ms. Aho and the care she provides. She recalled that she signed a photograph release form, which gives Ms. Aho consent to photograph her child. She states that Ms. Aho does not bathe or shower her child (ren).

Child G's Mother has used the facility for the last four to five years. She has not had any problems with Ms. Aho and has no concerns with the care and supervision provided to her child(ren). She said that Ms. Aho is on top of things and asks permission before photographing children. Ms. Aho has never bathed or showered any of her children.

APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.1911	Care; supervision; children.
	(1) A licensee shall ensure appropriate care and supervision of children at all times.
ANALYSIS:	<p>The licensee provided appropriate care and supervision of children at all times. The child care home maintained compliance. Ms. Aho, CCSM A, Child B, C, D, E, F, and G denied photographs were taken while children bathe and shower at the child care facility.</p> <p>On 02/24/2023, I observed Ms. Aho and CCSM A provide appropriate care and supervision. Children engaged in a variety of developmentally appropriate activities, including playing with other children, playing with toys, and eating snacks. Ms. Aho and CCSM A displayed positive child interactions and communication.</p>
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION NOT ESTABLISHED

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend no change in the status of this child license.

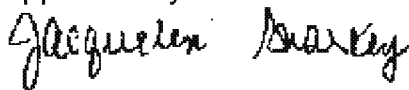


04/24/2023

Michelle Fruehan
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



04/24/2023

Jacquelin Sharkey
Area Manager

Date

