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June 10, 2023

Melanie Whitman
42 S Grout Rd
Gladwin, MI 48624

RE: License #: DG260405401
Melanie's Child Care
42 S Grout Rd
Gladwin, MI 48624

Dear Ms. Whitman:

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

During the renewal inspection on 06/06/2023, I found two violations listed below and explained in the attached report:

- R 400.1905(2) Training**
- R 400.1905(9) Training**

You gave us an acceptable written corrective action plan. We will send you a regular license in the mail.

During calendar year 2022:	Total
Number of serious injuries that occurred in facility.	0
Number of deaths that occurred in the facility.	0
Number of substantiated cases of abuse and/or neglect of a child that occurred at the facility.	0

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 (517) 284-9730.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "DeAndre Lawson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

DeAndre Lawson, Licensing Consultant
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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
CHILD CARE LICENSING BUREAU
RENEWAL INSPECTION REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	DG260405401
Licensee Name:	Melanie Whitman
Licensee Address:	42 S Grout Rd Gladwin, MI 48624
Licensee Telephone #:	(989) 429-1662
Licensee:	N/A
Name of Facility:	Melanie's Child Care
Facility Address:	42 S Grout Rd Gladwin, MI 48624
Facility Telephone #:	(989) 429-1662
Original Issuance Date:	12/08/2020
Capacity:	14
Age Range:	Ages Birth Thru 12 years

II. METHODS OF INSPECTION

Date of On-site Inspection(s): 06/06/2023

		No. of Records Reviewed
No. of children enrolled in care		22
No. of assistant caregivers employed		3
No. of child care children present at time of inspection		14
No. of other children present at time of inspection		1
No. of assistant caregivers present at time of inspection		1
Licensee present at time of inspection?		Yes
Persons Interviewed:	Licensee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Assistant Caregivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Approved child use space: The living room, dinign room, kitchen, sun room, first floor bedroom, and upstairs office and east bedroom are all approved for child care use.
 Exiting information (including second floor and basement): There are five exits on the first floor of the child care home. The first exit is the front door off the living room which provides egress to the driveway. The second exit is in the sun room and provides egress to the driveway area. The third exit is in the sun room and provides egress to the back yard. The fourth exit is in the dining room and provides egress to the back yard. The fifth exit is in the laundry room/mud room and provides egress to the garage and driveway. The second floor has two exits. The first exit is a window exit in bedroom one. The second exit is the stairs leading to the first floor of the home.

Approved variances - No Yes Description: R 400.1910 Ratio of personnel to children

Key Indicator Inspection: NO

Additional information:

- Pets? No Yes If yes, describe.
There is one small dog in the home.
- Hot tubs or spa pool? No Yes If yes, are there appropriate barriers?
- Swimming pool? No Yes If yes, describe pool and barriers.
- Other water hazards? No Yes If yes, describe.
The home is located on 12 acres of land. Some of the land can be wet and have small pools of ankle deep water depending on the season and amount of precipitation. The outdoor play area is completely fenced in and children will be directly supervised while outside.
- Fireplace or wood burning stove? No Yes If yes, describe.

- Fireplace/wood burner in use during child care hours? No Yes If yes, describe barriers to protect children from burns.

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

This renewal inspection involved a review of all applicable child care home administrative rules and statutes. Verification of compliance included direct observations of the physical environment and the program, discussions with staff, and a review of the home's records, including staff records and children's records. Staff records include background checks, medical clearance information, and training information. Children's records include child information cards and child in care statements/receipts.

When I arrived onsite Ms. Whitman and a child care staff member were present with 14 child care children. I observed lunch, free play, handwashing, and rest time. Caregiver interactions with children were positive and nurturing.

During the inspection, the child care home was found to be in compliance with all applicable rules and statutes except for the following violations:

R 400.1905

Training.

(2) A child care staff member and a child care assistant shall complete not less than 5 clock hours of training each calendar year related to child development and caring for children, not including CPR, first aid, and infectious disease, including immunizations, training.

Ms. Whitman did not ensure child care staff member Rachelle Maher completed 5 clock hours of training related to child development and caring for children, not including CPR, first aid, and infectious disease, including immunizations, training.in 2022.

R 400.1905

Training

(9) When the department of licensing and regulatory affairs or the department of education publishes a notice that a new health and safety update document or a new health and safety update training activity has been published on MiRegistry, the licensee shall ensure that all personnel read and acknowledge the document or complete the activity within 6 months of

the notice.

Ms. Whitman did not ensure child care staff members Rachelle Maher or Lexi Moore completed the 2022 health and safety update training activity on MiRegistry within 6 months of the notice

A corrective action plan was requested and approved on 06/06/2023. It is expected that the corrective action plan be implemented within the specified time frames as outlined in the approved plan. A follow-up evaluation may be made to verify compliance. Should the corrections not be implemented in the specified time, it may be necessary to reevaluate the status of your license.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of a regular license.



06/10/2023

DeAndre Lawson
Licensing Consultant

Date