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May 13, 2022

Sheila Smith
4103 Otter Lake Road
Otter Lake, MI 48464

RE: License #: DG440279772
Darling Otters Day Care
4103 Otter Lake Road
Otter Lake, MI 48464

Dear Ms. Smith:

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 May 13, 2022, I found one violation(s) listed below and explained in the attached report:

- R 400.1907(1)(b) Children’s records.

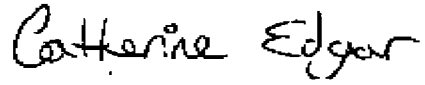
You gave us an acceptable written corrective action plan. We will send you a regular license in the mail.

During calendar year 2021:	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 "Catherine Edgar". The script is cursive and fluid.

Catherine S. Edgar, Licensing Consultant
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enclosure

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
CHILD CARE LICENSING BUREAU
RENEWAL INSPECTION REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	DG440279772
Licensee Name:	Sheila Smith
Licensee Address:	4103 Otter Lake Road Otter Lake, MI 48464
Licensee Telephone #:	(810) 793-8123
Licensee:	N/A
Name of Facility:	Darling Otters Day Care
Facility Address:	4103 Otter Lake Road Otter Lake, MI 48464
Facility Telephone #:	(810) 793-8123
Original Issuance Date:	11/18/2005
Capacity:	12
Age Range:	Ages Birth Thru 11 years

II. METHODS OF INSPECTION

Date of On-site Inspection(s): 05/13/2022

	No. of Records Reviewed	
No. of children enrolled in care	8	8
No. of assistant caregivers employed	2	2
No. of child care children present at time of inspection	4	
No. of other children present at time of inspection	0	
No. of assistant caregivers present at time of inspection	0	
Licensee present at time of inspection?	Yes	
Persons Interviewed:		
Licensee	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Assistant Caregivers	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Approved child use space: The main floor of the home and the basement of the home are approved for child care use.

Exiting information (including second floor and basement): The main floor of the home has 3 remote exits. The basement has 2 remote exits. The 2nd exit is an egress window that meets licensing requirements for a window exit.

Approved variances - No Yes Description:

Key Indicator Inspection: No

Additional information:

- Pets? No Yes If yes, describe.
3 dogs
- 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.
- Fireplace or wood burning stove? No Yes If yes, describe.
There is a natural gas fireplace located on the main floor of the home and in the basement of the home. Neither is used during child care hours.
- 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.

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 400.1907

Child's records.

(1) Prior to a child's initial attendance, a licensee shall obtain the following documents:

(b) A child in care statement or receipt using a form provided by the department and signed by the parent certifying all of the following:

(i) Receipt of a written disciplinary policy.

(ii) Condition of the child's health.

(iii) Acknowledgement that the parent has been offered either a copy of the licensing rules for a child care home or has been given the website for an electronic copy of these rules.

(iv) Agreement as to who will provide food for the child.

(v) Acknowledgement that firearms are on the premises, if applicable.

(vi) If the child care home was built prior to 1978, then the licensee shall inform the parents of each child in care and all personnel of the potential presence of lead-based paint or lead dust hazards, unless the licensee maintains documentation from a lead testing professional that the home is lead safe.

At the time of the onsite inspection, two children's records were missing a signed Child In Care statement.

A corrective action plan was requested and approved on 05/13/2022. 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 to this child care group home.

Catherine Edgar

May 13, 2022

Catherine S. Edgar
Licensing Consultant

Date