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FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME INSPECTION

Provider	JOANNE COLWELL				License Number	DCFH.24985	Date of Inspection	01/21/2026
					Expiration Date	8/31/2026	Time of Inspection	10:54 AM
Address	5 CLEAR LAKE RD NORTH BRANFORD CT 06471-1575				Telephone	(203) 530-7254	Regular Capacity	6
					Hours of Operation	7:00 AM – 6:00 PM	School Age Capacity	3
Is this a Change of Address?	Yes?		No?	X	Days of Operation	Mon-Fri	Summer Hours	Open
New Address					# Under 18 mths present	0	Weekend Hours	No
					Total children present	0	Night Hours	No
Type of Inspection	UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION - FULL				Inspector's Name	Melissa Lohr		
Provider's Email	jcolwell18@icloud.com				Inspector's Email	melissa.lohr@ct.gov		
Key: Compliant = X Non-Compliant = O		<u>Consent to Inspect:</u> I agree to allow the Commissioner or an authorized representative to have access to and inspect the facility and child care records during home inspections as required by Regulations Section 19a-87b-5(h). <i>Joanne Colwell</i>						
<i>Signature of Provider/Substitute/Applicant</i>								

TERMS OF REGISTRATION 19a-87b-5

X	4. Capacity		
X	5. Non-transferability of license	Pending?	
X	6. Infant/Toddler Restriction		
X	7. License Posted		
X	8. Parent Access to OEC Phone Number		
X	9. Photo ID		
X	10. Requests for Information		
X	11. Notification of Change		

QUALIFICATION OF PROVIDER 19a-87b-6

X	12. Awareness of, Understanding of Regulations		
X	13. Medical statement		
	Expiration date:		
	10/08/2026		
O	14. First Aid Certificate	Provider not in compliance with maintaining a current first aid certificate when it had expired on 01/05/26.	
	Expiration date:		
	01/05/2026		

O	15. CPR Certificate	Provider not in compliance with maintaining a current CPR certificate when it had expired on 01/05/26.
	Expiration date:	
	01/05/2026	
X	16. Judgment	

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD 19a-87b-7

X	17. Medical Statement	
X	18. Household Environment	

QUALIFICATIONS OF STAFF 19a-87b-8

X	19. Sub/Assistant	Y/N	Name:		Appvl #	
	Type of Staff :	N				
X	20. Emergency Caregiver					

COMPREHENSIVE BACKGROUND CHECK 19a-87b-8a

X	21. Background Check(s)	
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PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT 19a-87b-9

X	22. Clean/Sanitary Environment			
X	23. Freedom of Hazards			
X	24. Harmful Substances/Materials Inaccessible			
X	25. Bio-contaminants Disposed Safely			
X	26. Safe Storage of Flammables			
X	27. Safe Door Fasteners			
X	28. Electrical Safety			
X	29. Safe Exits			
X	30. Basement Supervision	Y/N		
		Y		
	Used for Care ?	Y/N		
X	31. Stairways - Protected, Handrails			
X	32. Emergency Plan			

X	33. Emergency Evacuation Drills - Quarterly/Log		
X	34. Smoke Detectors		
X	35. Carbon Monoxide Detector		
X	36. Fire Extinguisher- 5 lb. ABC/Installed		
X	37. Auxiliary Heating System Y	Appvd?	
	Type? Wood stove	Y	
X	38. Safe Storage of Weapons and Ammunition		
X	39. Safe Space- Sufficient		
	Indoors	Y	
	Outdoors	Y	
X	40. Body of Water- Type: Above ground	Y/N	
	Barrier?	Y	
X	41. Hot Tubs- Locked - Inaccessible	Y/N	
		N	
X	42. Ventilation, Light and Temperature- 65°		
X	43. Window Safety		
X	44. Washing Toileting, Sewage Garbage Facilities		
X	45. Adequate and Safe Water -		
	Type of System:		
	Public Water		
X	46. Water Temperature- 60°-120°		
X	47. Pasteurization of Milk Supply		
X	48. Working Phone, Emergency Numbers Posted		
X	49. Safe Transportation Registered, Insured, Restraints		
O	50. First Aid supplies	Provider not in compliance with maintaining a complete first aid kit when 2 instant ice packs were missing.	
X	51. Pet protection	Type:	
	Pets?	N	
	Rabies Certs?	N	
X	52. Smoking Prohibited		

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PROVIDER 19a-87b-10

X	53. Enrollment Form	
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X	54. Child Health Record	
X	55. Immunizations	
X	56. Emergency Permission	
X	57. Authorized Release	
X	58. Field Trip and Transportation Permission-To/From School	
X	59. Swimming Permission	
X	60. Incident Log	
X	61. Confidentiality	
X	62. Meeting the Child's Needs	
X	63. Sufficient Play Equipment	
X	64. Good Nutrition- Meals/Snacks, Water Available	
X	65. Handwashing	
X	66. Flexible and Balanced Written Schedule	
X	67. Personal Articles- Blanket, Towel, Toilet Articles	
X	68. Proper Rest Provisions – Safe Cribs	
X	69. Individual Plan for Care (Written if Applicable)	
X	70. Cultural Differences, Sp. Needs, Dev. Appr. Activities	
X	71. Infant Care, Indiv Attention, Held for Bottle Feedings	
X	72. Infants Placed on Back for Sleeping	
X	73. Infants Placed in Crib, Well constructed, Snug Mattress, Tight Sheet	

X	74. Crib or Other Provision Free from Observable Hazards	
X	75. Infants not Swaddled	
X	76. Infants Supervised – minimum every 15 minutes	
X	77. Req. for Sleep Arrangements Posted/Discussed	
X	78. Diaper Changing- Frequent, Sanitary, Handwashing, Waste Disposal	
X	79. Parent Information and Access	
X	80. Developmental Milestones – Posted	
X	81. Supervision- at all Times, Indoors, Outdoors	
X	82. Personal Schedule- Alert, Competent Attention	
X	83. Full Attention - Distractions, Employment, Socialization	
X	84. Immediate Attention	
X	85. Substitute – Emergency Caregiver Present	
X	86. Appr. Discipline, Behavior Management	
X	87. Discuss Beh. Management Methods w/Staff and Parents	
X	88. Child Protection- Abuse/Neglect	
X	89. Notify OEC within 24 hrs. - Death or Serious Injury	
X	90. Mandated Reporting Abuse or Neglect to DCF	
SICK CHILD CARE 19a-87b-11		
X	91. Sick Child Care	
NIGHT CARE 19a-87b-12 (10pm to 5am) Y/N? N		
X	92. Separate Bed- Location of Bed - Appropriate Sleepwear	

OFFICE ACCESS, INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS 19a-87b-13**X****93. Access-
Immediate, Entire
or Part of Facility
and Records****ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS 19a-87b-17 Y/N?****N****X****94. Policies and
Procedures for
Admin of Meds****X****95. Parent
Permission for
Nonprescription
Topical Meds****X****96. Notification -
Documentation of
Med Error(s)****X****97. Nonprescription
Topical Meds-
Stored/Labeled****X****98. Unused -
Expired
Nonprescription
Meds****X****99. Documented
Medication
Trained Staff****X****100. Written Auth
Prescriber/Parent
Permission****X****101. MAR
Maintained****X****102. Prescription
Meds –
Stored/Labeled****X****103. Unused/Expired
Prescription Meds****X****104. Emergency
Meds- Equip.
Labeled/Current****X****105. Self-Admin.
Of Meds****X****106. Petition for
Special
Medication
Authorization****MONITORING OF DIABETES 19a-87b-18**

Child with diabetes enrolled?

N**X****108. Policies for
Finger Stick Blood
Glucose Testing****X****109. Finger Stick
Blood Glucose
Testing - Staff
Trained****X****110. Self Admin of
Finger Stick Blood
Glucose Testing****X****111. Testing
Equip. &
Supplies-
Maintain,
Labeled, Locked,
Disposed**

X	112. Finger Stick Blood Glucose Testing Records	
X	113. Parent Notification of Test Results	

ADDITIONAL VIOLATIONS

	114. Consent Order - Negotiated Corrective Action Plan	N/A?	
		X	

WERE VIOLATIONS CITED DURING THIS VISIT? Yes or No?

Yes

LEVEL OF NON-COMPLIANCE THIS VISIT:

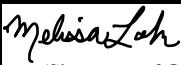
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DISCUSSIONS/COMMENTS

Provider stated that she has already registered for a first aid and cpr course for March 15, 2026. __No children were present at time of inspection. Provider currently only cares for school-age grandchildren. __Provided technical assistance with BCIS. Helped provider submit a BCIS help desk ticket.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- It is the provider's responsibility to ensure compliance with all local codes and/or ordinances applicable to single and multi-family dwellings. This includes but is not limited to renovation, construction or expansion of the facility as well as the installation of a swimming pool or auxiliary heater.
- Only the regulations marked as compliant or non-compliant were monitored or discussed.
- **APPLICANTS** –You MAY NOT OPERATE until all requirements have been met and a license has been issued by the Agency.

 (Signature of OEC Representative)		DATE CORRECTIONS DUE BY:	 (Signature of Provider/Applicant/Substitute)
Melissa Lohr (Printed Name)		02/04/2026	JOANNE COLWELL (Printed Name)

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