



Family Child Care Licensing Inspection Full Report

All licensed child care programs are inspected at least once each year. Non-compliances are documented and grouped as Serious, Moderate or Low risk violations. Documenting statements and supplemental information may be included in this report. Licensing inspection reports from the previous three years can be viewed on the child care website at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/CDC/childcare.stm>. This includes complaint investigation reports with substantiated allegations. For any other child care records, please contact the Child Care Help Desk at 1-877-302-2347, option 4.

Program Details		
Program Name A Mother's Instinct	Program Number 2240030976	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 853 Mercer Ave Akron OH 44320		County SUMMIT

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Provisional	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 12/08/2025	Begin Time 9:00 AM	End Time 12:35 PM
Reviewer: Kaitlin Duncan		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 68	No. Rules with Non-compliances 10	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 2	No. Low Risk 12

License Capacity and Enrollment at the Time of Inspection				
Age Group	License Capacity	Enrollment		Total
	Totals	Full Time	Part Time	
Infant (Birth to < 18 m)		1	0	1
Young Toddler		0	0	0
Total Under 2 Years		3	1	0
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		0	0	0
School Age		0	0	0
Total Capacity/Enrollment	7	0	0	1

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
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Summary of Non-Compliances

If a program disagrees with a licensing finding, the program may request a review of the finding(s). Ohio Administrative Code 5101:2-12-03 and 5101:2-13-03 detail the process for submitting a request for review. The request for review must be submitted within seven business days from the receipt of the licensing report. In addition, if the program is star rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

No Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-13-04 Fire Safety for Type B Homes

Code: The program is required to refrain from blocking escape routes.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program's alternate escape route was blocked. Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Carbon Monoxide Detectors - Type B Only

Code: The program is required to meet all requirements for carbon monoxide detectors.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the Type B Home did not have a working carbon monoxide detector on each floor where care is provided or carbon monoxide detector(s) were not placed/installed/tested/maintain in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. A working carbon monoxide detector must be placed, installed, tested, and maintained in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-13-18 Attendance

Code: The program is required to maintain a record of the arrival and departure of each child. The program is also required to retain the original attendance record at the program for a period of one year.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for keeping an attendance record as listed in number 6 below:

1. No attendance record was being maintained.
2. The attendance record was not being consistently completed.
3. The record did not include the name of at least one child.
4. The record did not include the birth date of at least one child.
5. The record did not include the assigned group.
6. The record did not include the child's weekly schedule.
7. The record did not include the time (hours and minutes) of each child's arrival and departure to the program, including transportation by the program.
8. The original attendance record was not kept at the program for a period of one year.

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment

Code: The program is required to store cleaning and sanitizing supplies in a place that is inaccessible to children. Cleaning agents, aerosol cans and chemical substances must be stored in their original container or clearly labeled. School-age children may use cleaning supplies and equipment with adult supervision.

Findings: During the inspection, cleaning and sanitizing equipment and supplies were not used or stored properly as noted in numbers 1, 5, 8 & 15 below:

1. Cosmetics were accessible to children in the bathroom area.
2. Disinfecting wipes were accessible to children in the [] area.

3. Fish food was accessible to children in the [] area.
4. Hand lotion was accessible to children in the [] area.
5. Hand sanitizer (for children under 24 months) was accessible to children in the living room area.
6. Laundry detergent was accessible to children in the [] area.
7. Powder dish washing soap was accessible to children in the [] area.
8. Paint cans were accessible to children in the living room area.
9. White out was accessible to children in the [] area.
10. Potting Soil was accessible to children in the [] area.
11. Other potentially hazardous substance [] was accessible to children in the [] area.
12. Cleaning/sanitizing supplies had not been clearly labeled.
13. School-age children were using cleaning supplies, agents and/or equipment without adult supervision.
14. A spray aerosol was used in the [] group while children were in attendance.
15. Other: Bleach and other cleaning products were accessible in the bathroom with no children present.

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the potentially hazardous substance is no longer accessible to children and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment

Code: The program is required to provide an environment that protects the children in care from any items and conditions that may threaten their health, safety, and well-being.

Findings: Children in care shall be protected from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well being. During the inspection, it was determined that children were not protected from the following item(s) or condition(s) which may threaten their health, safety, or well being as noted in the following numbers 1 & 5 below:

1. Surge protectors/outlets did not have childproof receptacle covers.
2. Open pull cords that are not closed loop.
3. Toys or other items small enough to be swallowed were present in the space where infants and/or toddlers were in care.
4. Electrical/extension cords attached to an object that would not likely result in a severe injury if pulled.
5. Stacked chairs.
6. Telephone cords.
7. Employee(s) purse(s).
8. Diaper bags.
9. Television not securely anchored.
10. Small or lightweight pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.
11. Staff member stepped over a barrier/gate while holding a child.
12. Chipping or peeling paint.
13. An area rug did not have a nonskid backing.
14. An area rug presented a tripping hazard.
15. A floor surface was unsafe in that [].

16. No platform was provided for the sink or toilet.
17. The platform provided for the sink or toilet was not sturdy.
18. The platform provided for the sink or toilet posed a safety hazard in that [].
19. Emergency exits were blocked by the following furniture in that .
20. A mercury thermometer was being used to take a child's temperature.
21. Methods of ventilation used did not provide protection from rodents, insects, or other hazards.
22. Other [].

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment

Code: The program is required to refrain from using and storing outdoor machinery around children.

Findings: During the inspection, a potentially hazardous item or toxic substance was used or stored in a space used for child care during the program's hours of operation, but no children were present, as noted in number 5 below:

1. A lawn mower.
2. A weed trimmer.
3. Hedge trimmers.
4. A snow blower.
5. Other potentially hazardous substance, equipment or machinery: Actephinophine and prescription medication were accessible with children present.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the potentially hazardous substance or item is no longer accessible to children and/or children will not be outside when machinery is in use to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment

Code: The program is required to follow the cleaning schedule for equipment.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program was not providing a clean and healthy environment, furniture, materials and equipment as required by Appendix A, as noted in numbers 14, 18, & 26 below:

1. Item(s) soiled with blood or bodily fluids were not cleaned/sanitized immediately.

2. Blankets/sheets were not cleaned weekly, when soiled, or before use by another child.
3. Children's individual blankets and belongings were stored in an unsanitary manner.
4. Bottles, bottle caps, nipples and other equipment used for bottle feeding were not cleaned and sanitized in a dishwasher or by washing, rinsing, and boiling for one minute.
5. Carpets were not vacuumed weekly or cleaned when soiled.
6. Changing table/pad was not sanitized after each use or cleaned when visibly soiled.
7. Reusable cloths were not being washed daily or when visibly soiled.
8. Cots/Pads/Mats were not cleaned and sanitized before assigning to a different child, when used by a sick child, when soiled or at least every three months.
9. Cribs were not cleaned and sanitized monthly, or when soiled, or before use by another child.
10. Diaper Receptacles were not cleaned and sanitized daily or more frequently as needed to eliminate odor.
11. Dishes/Cups/Silverware were not cleaned and sanitized after each use.
12. Water Containers were not labeled with the child's name, or were not cleaned and sanitized before use again on another day.
13. Dress up clothes and hats (dramatic play) were not cleaned monthly or when soiled.
14. Floors were not cleaned weekly or when soiled.
15. The food prep area, including sinks, were not cleaned before and after preparing food (including bottle preparation) or between preparing raw or cooked food.
16. Potty chairs were not cleaned after each use, rinsed with water, cleaned and sanitized or contents were not emptied into a toilet.
17. Food tables, highchair trays were not cleaned before and after each use.
18. Tables used for play were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized daily.
19. Toilet bowls were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized weekly.
20. Toilet seat(s), handle(s) and hand washing sink(s) were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized daily.
21. Mouthed toys were not cleaned and sanitized after each child's use.
22. Toys, other than those mouthed by children, were not cleaned monthly or when visibly soiled.
23. Washable furniture, including fabrics on infant equipment, were not cleaned weekly or when soiled.
24. Upholstered furniture was not steam cleaned when soiled.
25. Slip covers were not washed at least every six months or when soiled.
26. Wastebaskets/rinse buckets, including lids, were not being emptied daily or cleaned and sanitized when visibly soiled.
27. The manufacturer's directions for the cleaning product were not followed.
28. The solution used for sanitizing was not a commercial product registered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a sanitizer.
29. Other [].

Furniture, materials and equipment must be maintained according to the cleaning and sanitizing schedule in Appendix A to this rule. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment

Code: The program is required to have all required items in the restroom(s) and keep them sanitary.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that unsanitary conditions, as noted in the following numbers 4 & 7 below, were in the downstairs restroom:

1. There was no liquid soap.
2. There was no toilet tissue.
3. There were no individually assigned towels or disposable towels.
4. The toilet cleaning brush was accessible to the children.
5. The plunger was accessible to the children.
6. The toilet was not flushed.
7. The trash was not emptied from the day before.
8. There was a strong urine odor.
9. Other [].

The restroom(s) must be kept sanitary at all times. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-16 Emergency Drills

Code: The program is required to complete and document the required drills.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the required drills were not completed for item numbers 1,2, & 3 below:

1. Monthly fire drills
2. Monthly weather emergency drills (March through September)
3. Emergency/lockdown drills in each quarter of the calendar year

Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-16 First Aid Kit/Standard Precautions

Code: The program is required to meet the requirements for first aid kits.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program did not have a first aid kit onsite as required, that included all items listed in the appendix A of the rule. The kit(s) were missing the item(s) or the item(s) were not replaced after use and/or expired listed in number 14 below:

1. One roll of first-aid tape;
2. Individually wrapped sterile gauze;

- squares in assorted sizes;
3. Sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes;
 4. Tweezers;
 5. Gauze rolled bandage;
 6. Triangular bandage;
 7. Rounded end scissors;
 8. Tooth preservation system or fresh chilled liquid milk in which to transport a lost permanent tooth, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where milk is stored if a tooth preservation system is not part of the first aid kit (for programs serving school age children only);
 9. A working digital thermometer;
 10. Disposable non-latex gloves;
 11. A working flashlight;
 12. An instant cold pack that has not been activated or ice, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where the ice is stored if an instant cold pack is not part of the first aid kit;
 13. Sealable leak-proof plastic bags in assorted sizes or double bagged plastic bags that can be securely tied for materials soiled with blood or bodily fluids;
 14. Pocket mask or face shield, appropriate; for all ages of children in care, for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) administration;
 15. Soap or waterless sanitizer (field trip or transporting away from the program only);
 16. Bottled water (field trip or transporting away from the program only).

Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-07 Staff Records

Code: The provider is required to maintain current employee, child care staff members and resident records in the Ohio Professional Registry.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that employment records in the Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) were not created or maintained as noted in number 1 below:

1. The provider had not created or updated their individual profile in the OPR.
2. The provider had not created or updated the program's organizational dashboard in the OPR.
3. At least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member had not created or updated their individual profile in the OPR.
4. At least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member had not created an employment record in the OPR for the program on or before the first day of employment, including date of hire.
5. At least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member had not updated changes to positions or roles in the OPR within five calendar days of the change.
6. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated within five business days when at least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member's scheduled days and hours changed.

7. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated within five business days when at least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member's group assignments changed, if applicable.
 8. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated with the employment end date within five business days when at least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member ended employment.
 9. At least one resident over the age of eighteen had not created a profile and employment record for the family child care provider within five days of becoming a resident or turning eighteen.
 10. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated within five calendar days of a change in residency for at least one resident over the age of eighteen.
 11. Other: []
- Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-07 Provider Responsibilities

Code: The provider is required to maintain the required liability insurance or have a completed JFS 01933 "Liability Insurance Statement for Family Child Care Providers" on file for each child in care.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the provider did not have a completed JFS 01933 "Liability Insurance Statement for Family Child Care Providers" completed for each child in care. Correct the violation and submit proof of insurance with the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records

Code: The program is required to have a completed JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information for Child Care" on file on the premises for each child.

Findings: In review of the children's records, it was determined that information had not been secured from the parent/guardian on the JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care", as required, for the items in number 4, 15, & 16 below:

1. No enrollment form was completed for at least one child
2. The current JFS 01234 was not completed for at least one child
3. Complete child information
4. Complete parent information
5. Complete emergency contact information
6. Complete physician information

7. Information regarding the parent list
8. Health information
9. Additional information for all boxes checked "yes"
10. Emergency transportation information
11. Parent/guardian's signature
12. Diapering Statement
13. Acknowledgement of Policies and Procedures
14. Enrollment form for at least one child was not updated by either the parent or the administrator
15. Enrollment form for at least one child was not signed by the administrator
16. Other: Child's first day at program was missing.

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/07/2026

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records

Code: The program is required to have a completed medical on file for each child.

Findings: In review of of the children's records, it was determined that completed medical statements were not on file, as required, for children listed on the JFS Children's Record Review For Child Care as indicated in numbers 4 & 7 below:

1. No medical was on file for at least one child
2. Medical(s) on file was not updated every 13 months
3. Medical(s) were missing child's name and date of birth
4. Medical(s) were missing the date of the medical examination
5. The date of the exam was more than 13 months prior to the date the form was signed
6. Medical(s) were missing a statement that the child has been examined and is in suitable condition for participation in group care
7. Medical(s) were missing the signature, business address and telephone number of the physician, physician's assistant(PA), advance practice nurse (APN) or certified nurse practitioner (CNP) who examined the child
8. Medical(s) were missing a record of immunizations the child has had specifying month, day and year
9. Medical(s) were missing a statement from the physician, PA, APN, or CNP that the child has been immunized or is in the process of being immunized against the diseases required by division 5104.014 of the Revised Code and found in appendix A to this rule
10. Medical(s) were missing a statement from the child's parent or guardian that he or she has declined to have the child immunized against the disease for reasons of conscience, including religious convictions
11. Other []

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Voluntary Temporary Closure	Compliant	
5180:2-13-02 License Visible	Compliant	
5180:2-13-02 Change of Location	Compliant	
5180:2-13-02 Information in OCLQS	Compliant	
5180:2-13-02 Provider Medical	Compliant	
5180:2-13-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	
5180:2-13-04 Building Requirements for Type B Homes	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180:2-13-04 Flammable and Combustible Materials in a Type B Home	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Heaters in a Type B Home	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Type B Provider - Foster Parent	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Child Care Staff Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Employee Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Whistle Blower	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-09 Background Checks	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-10 Health Training	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-10 Professional Development	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Indoor Space	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Outdoor Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Outdoor Space	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Fall Zone	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-12 Pets	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Toothbrushing	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Requirements for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Smoke Free	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Handwashing	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Ratio and Supervision for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Driver Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Vehicle Inspections	Compliant	
5180:2-13-14 Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	
5180:2-13-15 Health Conditions	Compliant	
5180:2-13-15 Child Records Retention and Confidentiality	Compliant	
5180:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan	Compliant	
5180:2-13-16 Communicable Diseases	Compliant	
5180:2-13-16 Incident/Injury	Compliant	
5180:2-13-17 Programming	Compliant	
5180:2-13-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	
5180:2-13-18 Group Size and Ratios	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180:2-13-19 Supervision	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 School Age Supervision	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-21 Sanitary Environment and Hygiene	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Sleep and Nap Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Crib and Playpen Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Fluid Milk	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Food Handling	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Diapering	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 Swimming Sites	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 Parent Permission for Swimming	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-25 Medication Requirements	Compliant	