

# HOME CHILD CARE DESCRIPTION FOR LICENSING PURPOSES

**Provider Name:** Martha Santos Maga

**Home Address:** 520 4th Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18018, United States

**Date:** 5/7/26

## **Subject: Description of Home Child Care Services in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania**

I, Martha Santos Maga, residing at 520 4th Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18018, submit this document as a formal description of the home child care services provided at my residence, in accordance with the regulations and standards of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Home child care, also known as Family Child Care, is a child care service operated within a private residence where children are cared for in a safe, supervised, and nurturing home environment. The purpose of this service is to provide quality care for children while supporting their overall development and well-being.

The home child care program is designed to promote the physical, emotional, social, and cognitive development of children through age-appropriate activities. Daily activities may include structured and unstructured play, early learning activities, reading, arts and crafts, music, rest periods, and outdoor play, when weather and safety conditions permit.

The home environment is organized to meet child care safety standards and is arranged to be child-friendly. Appropriate safety measures are implemented to protect children from potential hazards, and children are supervised at all times while in care.

The program maintains consistent daily routines, including scheduled meal and snack times, rest periods, and hygiene practices. Meals and snacks provided comply with basic nutritional guidelines, and special dietary needs or allergies are accommodated as communicated by parents or guardians.

Due to the smaller group size typical of home child care, individualized attention is provided to each child, allowing for close observation of developmental progress and personalized care. Open communication with parents or guardians is encouraged to ensure consistency between the child's home environment and child care routines.

This home child care program is operated in compliance with applicable Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS) regulations for home-based child care and is intended to meet all required health, safety, and supervision standards.

This document is provided for licensing and official purposes within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Sincerely, 

# IN-HOME DAY CARE COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

**Applicant Name:** Martha Santos Maga

**Address:** 520 4th Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18018

I, Martha Santos Maga, hereby submit this statement in support of my application for an in-home day care and to demonstrate compliance with the requirements established by the Bureau of Planning & Zoning.

## **1. Residential Appearance of the Dwelling**

The dwelling will retain its residential appearance, with no exterior modifications made to accommodate the day care use, except for minor cosmetic or safety improvements if necessary.

## **2. Operation by Permanent Resident**

The day care will be actively operated by a permanent resident of the dwelling, who will be responsible for the daily supervision and management of the facility.

## **3. Outdoor Play Area Requirement**

If seven (7) or more children are cared for, a minimum of 200 square feet of fenced outdoor play area will be provided, or an outdoor play area within 400 feet of the residence will be available for use.

## **4. Use Within a Place of Worship**

The child day care will operate solely within the residence and not within a place of worship.

## **5. Compliance with State and Federal Regulations**

The day care will comply with all applicable state and federal regulations, including obtaining any required registration or license from the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare or its successor agency.

## **6. Fencing of Outdoor Areas**

Any outdoor areas routinely used for play will be secured with appropriate fencing to ensure the safety of the children.

## **7. Sanitary Disposal of Diapers**

Appropriate methods will be used to contain and dispose of used diapers in a sanitary manner, including sealed containers and regular disposal, ensuring no nuisance to neighbors.

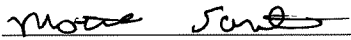
## **8. Safe Pick-Up and Drop-Off Area**

A safe and convenient area will be provided for the pick-up and drop-off of children, minimizing traffic disruption and ensuring safety at all times.

**Additional Statement:**

The operation of the in-home day care will not create any fire, toxic, or explosive hazards and will maintain a safe and healthy environment for children and the surrounding community.

I certify that the information provided above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

  
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Martha Santos Maga

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

