

# Group Family Day Care Home

## Definition Group Family Day Care Home – Licensed

South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL) 26-6-14 defines a Group Family Day Care Home as the providing of group care and supervision of children on a regular basis for part of a day as a supplement to regular parental care, with or without compensation, for 13 to 20 children, including children under the age of six living in the home and children from more than one unrelated family received for day care, in any facility, including a family home.

- A group family child care home may be located in the provider's own home or in a separate facility.
- Group family child care homes are mandated by law to be licensed prior to operation, regardless of funding source.
- Group family day care homes are inspected once per year.

## Health and safety regulatory requirements met by a licensed group family day care provider:

- Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) [67:42:10](#) Licensed day care programs
- ARSD [67:42:11](#) Environmental health standards
- ARSD [67:42:16](#) Scope of services for child care programs
- ARSD [61:15:06](#) Group family construction requirements
- SDCL [Chapter 26-6](#) Children's Homes and Welfare Agencies
- [The Licensing Handbook](#)
- [Floor Plan Review Guide](#)
  - [Modification Existing Program](#)
  - [School Age Care \(School only\)](#)

## Monitoring and inspections

### Sample Monitoring Forms

- [Facility Safety Inspection sample](#)
- [Program Inspection sample](#)

## Background checks required

[Email a request for more information](#) or to obtain a packet to start the licensing process.

[Call a licensing specialist for more information](#) or to obtain a packet to start the licensing process.