

**441—114.23(237) Unannounced visits.****114.23(1) Frequency.**

*a. Time.* At least one annual unannounced visit shall occur during periods of the day when the child would normally be in the facility and awake.

*b. Activities.* The visit shall include an assessment of, but not be limited to, the following areas:

- (1) Interaction between the staff and child.
- (2) Interaction between the children.
- (3) Discussion with the child about experiences in the facility.
- (4) A check on any previously cited deficiencies.
- (5) Overall impression of the facility.
- (6) Staff record checks.

*c. Recommendation.* The licensing staff shall recommend follow-up when needed.

**114.23(2)** Visits at other times may occur as a result of a self-reported incident or specific complaint.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 237.7.

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