

Our Reference 111665

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Helen Penticost, monitored your provision on 03/07/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 08/04/2014, we sent you a notice to improve. If you were set actions at the inspection, or as a result of our subsequent monitoring or investigations, these are included at the end of this letter unless we have already verified that they have been completed.

During the monitoring visit, the inspector discussed with you the steps you have taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. You have welcomed support from the local authority and your childminding advisor to enable you to make improvements. The inspector observed you working with the children and viewed your documentation.

The inspector found that you now have a clear understanding of your role in supervising children at all times. You ensure that they are in your sight and hearing at all times. This supports children's safety and well-being.

You have developed a clear system for the administration of medication. You request written parental permission prior to giving children medicines and you record when you give children any medication. You then inform parents that you have given medicine to their child. This helps to ensure that you meet children's individual needs.

The inspector found that you have put in place a system for observing, assessing and planning for children's individual learning needs and for sharing this information with parents. You also have a system in place in readiness for completing the written assessment of children's progress between the ages of two and three years of age. You know to highlight to parents the current stages of development for their child and also to highlight any potential learning gaps. Both these systems are in their infancy and therefore the full impact is not yet evident.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that the childminder has taken prompt and effective action to address the points for improvement.

Next steps

The next step will be a full inspection.

I hope that you have found the visit helpful in promoting improvement in your childminding service. If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Nick Hudson
National Director, Early Education

Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
ensure that children are adequately supervised, and always within sight or hearing	10/04/2014	03/07/2014
ensure medicine administered to a child is accompanied by written permission from the child's parents and/or carer for that particular medicine and keep a written record each time medicine is administered to a child, and inform the child's parents and/or carers on the same day, or as soon as reasonably practicable	10/04/2014	03/07/2014
develop knowledge of the learning and development requirements, with particular reference to considering each child's individual needs, interests and stage of development and use this information to plan challenging and enjoyable experiences in all areas of learning and development	30/05/2014	
review the progress of children aged between two to three and provide parents and/or carers with a short written summary of their development in the prime areas	30/05/2014	
ensure that children receiving childcare are kept safe from harm, with particular reference to the supervision of children when outside the home (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	10/04/2014	03/07/2014
ensure that children receiving childcare are kept safe from harm, with particular reference to the supervision of children when outside the home (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	10/04/2014	03/07/2014
ensure records are kept and retained for two years of any medicine administered to any child who is cared for on the premises, including the date and	10/04/2014	03/07/2014

circumstances and who administered it, including medicine which the child is permitted to self-administer, together with a record of a parent/guardian/carer's consent (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)

ensure records are kept and retained for two years of any medicine administered to any child who is cared for on the premises, including the date and circumstances and who administered it, including medicine which the child is permitted to self-administer, together with a record of a parent/guardian/carer's consent(voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	10/04/2014	03/07/2014
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