

Our Reference EY276865

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Jennifer Liverpool, monitored your provision on 22/07/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 29/04/2014, 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 on 22 July 2014, the inspector discussed with you the steps you have taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. She observed you working with the children. She examined some documentation, including your training certificates and your attendance record. The inspector also looked at some of your written policies, the information you have on wall displays, and the first-aid boxes.

The inspector found that you have attended and completed training in paediatric first aid. In addition, you keep three fully stocked first-aid boxes, including one specifically for taking out on trips. This means that children can receive appropriate care in the event that they sustain an injury on or off the premises. The inspector also found that you are supporting children's health better as you now do not smoke outdoors where children can smell and inhale cigarette smoke or can see you smoking. No smoking signs are displayed so that when parents or visitors are on the premises, they will be reminded that smoking is not permitted on the premises when minded children are present. You have welcomed visits from the local authority representative which have helped you to consider how you are going to improve outcomes for children. As a result, you have reviewed your policies and this has been expanded to include the procedures for non-use of alcohol on the premises during childminding hours.

The inspector viewed your daily attendance record. You are now keeping and maintaining a record of children's attendance on a daily basis. This helps to ensure children are kept safe while in your care. During the visit, children were settled,

happy and engaged in activities outdoors. Children enjoyed playing with a range of mobile and play equipment in the garden.

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
implement a no-smoking policy to prevent smoking in a room, or outside play area, when children are present or about to be present	29/04/2014	22/07/2014
maintain a current paediatric first-aid certificate	30/06/2014	22/07/2014
maintain a daily record of the names of children being cared for on the premises, and their hours of attendance.	29/04/2014	22/07/2014
ensure that an appropriate first-aid qualification is held (compulsory part of the Childcare Register) .	30/06/2014	22/07/2014
ensure that no person smokes on the premises at any time while childcare is provided, or in the presence of a child receiving childcare (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	29/04/2014	22/07/2014
keep a daily record of the names of the children looked after on the premises and their hours of attendance and retain them for a period of two years (compulsory part of the Childcare Register).	29/04/2014	22/07/2014
ensure that no person smokes on the premises at any time while childcare is provided, or in the presence of a child receiving childcare (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	29/04/2014	22/07/2014
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