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Our Reference EY455749

Dear ACPH Limited

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Linda du Preez, monitored your provision on 09/01/2015 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 18/12/2014, we sent you a welfare requirements notice. 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.

You wrote to Ofsted to inform us of the action you have taken to address concerns raised at the previous inspection. You discussed this further at the monitoring visit on 9 January 2015. The regulatory inspector found that the senior management and staff meetings held following the inspection, demonstrate that you have been proactive and willing to drive improvement. The inspector looked at documents including the safeguarding policies and procedures. The lead practitioner with responsibility for safeguarding children described the training undertaken since the previous inspection. She described how she has read the local authority and government guidance. In addition, you have arranged further training to ensure that her knowledge and understanding is secure and embedded. Other staff described the training they have undertaken, which has refreshed and updated their knowledge and understanding of safeguarding procedures. Consequently, children are kept safe as the procedures are in securely place and staff know how to follow them appropriately.

You have purchased new face cloths and held meetings with staff to ensure they are all fully aware of the procedures to follow. This reinforcement of practice means that staff are all fully aware of the need to use individual flannels to clean each child's face and hands before and after meal times to protect them against infection.

You have taken action address the how staff plan nursery activities to provide a challenging and enjoyable experience for every child across all areas of learning and development. However, this action will need longer for practice to be fully embedded, so a further monitoring visit is required.

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

Next steps

The next step will be further monitoring.

I hope that you have found the visit helpful in promoting improvement in your setting. 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 the designated lead practitioner with responsibility for safeguarding children provides support, advice and guidance to staff, understands and responds appropriately to signs of possible abuse and neglect and liaises with local statutory children's services agencies promptly when concerns are raised about a child's welfare	08/01/2015	15/01/2015
ensure that the lead practitioner responsible for the safety and welfare of children identifies and acts on any indications that a child may be suffering from harm and liaises with with local statutory children's services agencies as appropriate.	08/01/2015	15/01/2015
ensure all staff have a detailed understanding of the Government's statutory guidance 'Working Together to Safeguard Children 2013', enabling them to notify agencies with statutory responsibilities without delay	08/01/2015	15/01/2015
ensure staff consistently use individual flannels to wipe each child's face and hands before and after meal times to protect children against infection	31/01/2015	15/01/2015
ensure the individual needs, interests, and stage of development of each child is consistently taken into account when planning nursery activities to provide a challenging and enjoyable experience for every child across all areas of learning and development.	31/01/2015	