

## **Compliance action taken for childcare provision**

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### **Summary of outcome**

Compliance Visit Outcome Summary (only complete for specified Priority Inspections)

On 9 September 2016, the setting notified Ofsted of an incident where a child left the outdoor play area unsupervised. The child was returned to the setting by a member of staff from the nearby Children Centre soon after. The child had climbed over a fence into the centre's play area. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the early years foundation stage welfare requirements to notify Ofsted. We carried out an unannounced inspection to see whether the provider was meeting the early years foundation stage requirements in relation to staff deployment, managing behaviour, risk assessment, safety, premises, information about the child, and ratios.

At the inspection, we found that the provider had undertaken an investigation of the incident and taken appropriate steps to minimise the risk of children being able to climb the fence. Appropriate risk assessments support staff to monitor potential risks to children. The provider has plans to put in a higher fence to improve children's safety outdoors further. In general, staff move between the play areas indoors and outdoors, depending on where children are playing, to provide good support to children's learning and monitor their safety. However, at the inspection, we found that, at times, staff were not sufficiently supervising the children in the outside play area to ensure their safety. Staff use appropriate methods to manage children's behaviour and the provider ensures they meet minimum staff to child ratios. Staff gather information about children's individual needs when parents initially register their child, so they are aware of children's abilities and needs. Following the inspection, the provider received a notice to improve supervision of children in the outdoor area. The provider remains registered with Ofsted.

### **Publication of compliance action**

We aim to ensure that the welfare of children and young people is protected in the services we regulate. The Childcare Act 2006 and accompanying regulations set out our responsibilities to regulate childminders and childcare providers. This includes the enforcement powers we have in relation to those registered providers who do not comply with the requirements for registration.

We publish details of any actions we take, or the childminder or childcare provider takes to bring about compliance with requirements on our website for a period of five years commencing on the date we complete our investigation.

For further information please read the *Early years compliance handbook* which can be found here at [www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted) .