

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

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### **Summary of outcome**

All early years providers must meet the legal requirements in the 'Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage', which you can find at [www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2). If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right. On 16 July 2018, we received concerns that this provider was not meeting some of these requirements. We carried out an unannounced visit on 27 July 2018, where we found the provider had left assistants in sole charge of children for more than two hours. As the assistants are not registered childminders the care being provided was unregistered, we therefore requested the setting to close. The inspector also found that ratios were not maintained, documentation was not available to view, knowledge and understanding of safeguarding was weak and therefore poor practice was witnessed. We carried out a further visit on 30 July 2018 to discuss our concerns with the childminder.

We have issued a Welfare Requirements Notice. This is a legal notice that requires the provider to take the actions below within the timescales set out.

ensure staff have an update to understanding of safeguarding issues which includes the procedure to follow when a child arrives with an existing injury

ensure assistants are not left in sole charge of children for more than two hours in a single day

ensure records are easily accessible and available for inspection at all times

ensure you meet minimum ratio requirements at all times

ensure you take all reasonable steps to ensure the safety of children, this refers to keeping medicines out of reach of the children

ensure staff have a robust understanding of your safeguarding policy and are able to identify signs of possible abuse and neglect at the earliest opportunity

put in place effective procedures to carry out regular supervisions with staff. Effective

supervisions provides support, coaching and training for the practitioner and promotes the interests of children

As a result of three assistants providing unregistered care, we have served them with an enforcement notice. This makes it an offence if they provide care which requires registration with Ofsted. We will monitor what action the childminder takes to ensure she meets all the requirements. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

We carried out an unannounced monitoring visit on 29 August 2018. We found the provider had taken appropriate action to meet all the actions and is now complying with EYFS requirements. We have revoked the enforcement notices issued to the assistants and no further action is required.

The provider is still 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).