

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. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right. On 18 February 2020 we received a notification from the provider regarding an allegation against a staff member. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the 'Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage' to notify Ofsted of allegations of abuse. The notification also raised concerns that this provider was not meeting some of the requirements.

We found the provider had not followed the correct procedure for allegations against staff. They had completed their enquiries prior to informing the relevant child protection agency of the allegation. This meant requirements in relation to child protection had not been met. The provider had subsequently identified this issue and took action to make sure they meet the requirements. They updated their safeguarding procedure and provided safeguarding training for staff. The provider is now clear that they contact the relevant child protection agency before initiating their own enquires. As a result, we took no further action. 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.

