

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 13 February 2020, we conducted an inspection where we judged the provision to be not meeting the requirements. As a result, we issued a welfare requirement notice. This is a legal notice that required the childminder to take the actions below.

Actions needed:

- improve and update knowledge and understanding of safeguarding issues, and the procedures to follow if you have concerns about a child's welfare
- ensure the policies and procedures in place to safeguard children are in line with the guidance of the local safeguarding children board, and include the process to follow if an allegation is made against you or a household member
- use self-evaluation to identify any weaknesses and seek professional development opportunities to improve the overall quality of practice
- ensure a certificate showing completion of a paediatric first-aid training course is in place at all times
- improve knowledge and understanding of behaviour management strategies to ensure children's behaviour is appropriately managed.

Following the inspection, we conducted an unannounced visit on 11 March 2020. We found the childminder had taken appropriate action to meet some the actions issued. However,

she was still not able to demonstrate a clear understanding of the action she must take if an allegation was made against herself or a household member. We therefore issued a further welfare requirements notice which required the childminder to take the action below within the timeframe set out:

improve knowledge and understanding of the process to follow if an allegation is made against you or a household member, including having regard to the government's statutory guidance 'Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018' – by 30 April 2020.

We conducted a further announced monitoring visit and found that the childminder had improved her knowledge and understanding of safeguarding and the processes she must follow if an allegation is made. The childminder will be able to give parents further information about this. We will monitor the childminders ongoing compliance with the requirements at the next inspection.