

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills is leading Ofsted's work into how regulated early years and childcare providers in England have delivered child-centred practice and care, within the context of the restrictions placed on society during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.

All early years providers must meet the legal requirements in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 2 October 2019, we carried out an inspection and found the childminder was not meeting some of these requirements. The overall effectiveness of the provision was judged to inadequate. The inspection report sets out the actions the provider was asked to take to meet the requirements.

On 25 September 2020, while routine inspections were suspended, we carried out an interim visit. The focus of the visit was to check whether the childminder had met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised at their last inspection.

We found that the childminder had:

- improved her knowledge and understanding of how to safeguard children and fully understands their responsibilities
- introduced procedures to obtain parental consent before administering medication to children
- improved procedures to accurately record children's hours of attendance and the names of each child's key person
- introduced more opportunities to support and coach her assistant, and ensures she and her assistant undertake additional training and professional development to promote continuous improvement
- rearranged furniture and equipment to ensure that children have sufficient space to play freely
- improved her partnership working with parents by introducing various systems to share

information to support children's learning both at the setting and at home.

We are satisfied she has met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised. The childminder 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.