

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 27 November 2020, the provider notified us that one of the family dogs had twice nipped a child, without causing injury. 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 a significant event.

On 30 November 2020, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements and had taken action to put this right. Following the incidents, the provider reviewed and tightened the risk assessment associated with children's access to the family dogs. This included making arrangements for the dogs to be housed separately from areas where children play, and strengthening ways to help children learn how to handle and care for pets in a safe manner. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. We are satisfied with the action that the provider has taken. 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.

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.