

## **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 March 2020, we carried out an inspection and found the provider was not meeting some of these requirements. The overall effectiveness of the provision was judged to be not met with actions. The inspection report sets out the actions the provider was asked to take to meet the requirements.

On 9 December 2020, while routine inspections were suspended, we carried out an interim visit. The focus of the visit was to check whether the provider had met the safeguarding and welfare action raised at their last inspection.

We found that the provider had improved their knowledge and understanding of child protection procedures to ensure all staff understand their responsibilities. The provider has also improved recruitment procedures to ensure that all staff working with children have had an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check to verify their suitability and help maintain children's safety. We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised at the last inspection.

Additionally, during the call, we found new areas of concerns. We found the provider had failed to notify Ofsted of two significant events, which is a requirement of registration. 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](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted).