

## **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', which you can find at [www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2](http://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 19 March 2021, the provider made a notification to Ofsted. This 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.

On 23 March 2021, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found that the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. We have issued a Welfare Requirements Notice. This is a legal notice that requires the provider to take the actions below within the timescales set out. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

Action to be taken by 7 April 2021:

- implement policies and procedures to safeguard children that are in line with Local Safeguarding Children Board guidance, and the government statutory guidance 'Working Together to Safeguard Children' 2018, with particular reference to making referrals
- ensure that you can identify signs of possible neglect and abuse and have effective knowledge to enable you to be alert to any issues of concern in the child's life at home or elsewhere and report to the appropriate agencies without delay.

We will monitor the provider's response to ensure the actions are successfully completed.

On 8 April 2021, we carried out a regulatory telephone call to the provider. We found that the provider had taken appropriate action to meet the Welfare Requirements Notice within the set timescale. 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).