

## **Complaint about childcare provision**

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Date: 21 April 2021

## **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 childcentred 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. If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 26 March 2021, the provider notified us that a child had briefly been left unsupervised in their outdoor play area. 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 any significant event which is likely to affect the suitability of the early years provider or any person who cares for, or is in regular contact with, children on the premises to look after children.

On 19 April 2021, 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. The provider has reviewed, amended, and strengthened their outdoor procedures to ensure all children are accounted for when they move from the outdoor play area to inside. The implementation of these procedures is now more closely monitored by management. The amended outdoor procedures are also now included as part of the induction procedures for any new staff.

The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

## **Publication of complaints**

We publish details of complaints made against childminders, home childcarers and childcare providers where we or the provider have taken action in order to meet legal requirements.

We publish details of complaints on our website for a period of five years.

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complaints about childminders and childcare providers leaflet.