

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Date: 30 March 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 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 24 March 2021, the provider notified us that a child had been left in the nursery's garden, unsupervised, for approximately 40 minutes. 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.

On 29 March 2021, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. We have issued actions for the provider to take. This is a 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.

Actions needed by 30 April 2021:

- improve the deployment of staff to ensure that children are always effectively supervised and kept safe
- ensure that staff receive a thorough induction to help them understand their roles and responsibilities, particularly with regards to maintaining children's safety

On 29 April 2021, the provider responded to the notice to improve. The provider has improved their staff induction procedures. They now ensure that staff are fully aware of their duties in relation to keeping children safe from the outset. The provider has also reviewed and improved the deployment of staff. This ensures that qualified staff are distributed throughout the nursery to make sure that children's safety and well-being are consistently maintained.

We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised. 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.