

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 22 March 2021, the provider notified us of a significant event. A child had sustained an accidental injury when falling during a physical play activity. This notification means that the provider has met their legal responsibility as set out in the early years foundation stage welfare requirements to notify Ofsted of a significant event.

We asked the provider's representative for further details of their investigation and on 11 May 2021 we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found that the provider had already identified one requirement which was not met and they had already taken action to put this right. The risk assessment of activities which offer children physical challenge, such as obstacle courses, had been reviewed to consider the deployment of staff and increase the level of direct supervision available to children. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

We found that the provider was not meeting one additional requirement and we have issued an action for the provider to take.

Action needed by 21 May 2021:

- ensure accident reporting procedures include steps to notify statutory agencies, including local child protection services, of any serious accident or injury to a child while in the care of the setting.

On 20 May 2021 we found that the provider had notified local child protection services of the accident which had resulted in an injury. We are satisfied the provider has met the safeguarding and welfare action 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.