

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

On 17 May 2021, the provider notified us of accident resulting in an injury to a child. 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 a serious injury to a child and of a significant event.

On 25 May 2021, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements and had taken action to put this right. The provider has reviewed risk assessments for the soft play area and made changes to the staff arrangements so that children are more closely supervised when using certain equipment.

Additionally, during the visit, we found a new area of concern. This means that the provider was not meeting other requirements as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage. The provider failed to notify child protection agencies of a previous serious injury to child. We have issued an action for the provider to take. This is a legal notice that requires the provider to take the action 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 01 June 2021:

- ensure child protection agencies are notified of any serious accident or injury to, or the death of, any child while cared for and act on any advice from those agencies.

On 28 May 2021, the provider responded to the action set. We found that the provider had notified child protection agencies of a previous serious injury to a child and now fully understands their responsibilities in reporting accidents.

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.