

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

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 14 May 2020 we received concerns that this provider was not meeting some of these requirements. We have served a Welfare Requirements Notice. This is a legal notice that requires the provider to take the actions below within the timescales set out.

Actions needed by 16 July 2020:

- develop a greater understanding of your own safeguarding policy by increasing your knowledge about what to do if an allegation is made against yourself, an assistant or a household member including what the role of the local authority designated officer is
- develop a greater understanding of current child protection legislation including the government's statutory guidance, 'Working Together to Safeguard Children 2015', and, 'Prevent duty guidance for England and Wales 2015'.

During a regulatory telephone call on 20 July 2020, the provider demonstrated she had developed her knowledge and understanding of what to do if an allegation was made against herself, an assistant, or a household member. In addition, the provider could explain what the role of the local authority designated officer is relating to any allegations made against a provider, an assistant or a household member. Furthermore, the provider showed a greater understanding of current child protection legislation, including the government's statutory guidance, 'Working Together to Safeguard Children 2015' and, 'Prevent duty guidance for England and Wales 2015'.

On 18 January 2021, we carried out a regulatory visit. We found that the provider had failed to notify Ofsted of significant events, which is a requirement of their registration. Additionally, during the visit, we found new areas 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. In relation to the new areas of concern, we have issued actions for the provider to take.

Actions needed by 1 March 2021:

- undertake paediatric first aid training
- ensure public liability insurance is in place for childminding
- ensure records are kept for a reasonable period of time after children have left the provision, and that they are easily accessible and available for inspection. This is to include records about adults who live and work on the premises, individual children's information and the names and hours of attendance of children being cared for.

On 6 April 2021, the provider responded to the action set. We are satisfied that 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.