

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 21 June 2021, the provider notified us that an allegation had been made against a member of staff. 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 likely to affect the suitability of the early years provider.

On 30 June 2021, we carried out a regulatory telephone regulatory visit. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements. We have issued actions for the provider to take or 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. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this. The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

Actions needed by 15 July 2021:

- update knowledge to ensure a good understanding of safeguarding issues in order to respond in a timely and appropriate way
- ensure safeguarding policies and procedures include an explanation of the action to be taken in the event of an allegation made against a member of staff
- update knowledge and understanding of governments statutory guidance 'working together to safeguard children 2015' in order to notify agencies with statutory responsibilities without delay.

We will monitor the provider's response to ensure the actions are successfully completed.

On 16 July 2021, we carried out a regulatory visit. The focus of the visit was to check

whether the provider had met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised at their last visit.

We found that the provider had improved their knowledge and understanding of safeguarding and statutory guidance, such as 'working together to safeguard children'. A new safeguarding policy has been adopted which includes the action to take in the event of an allegation against a member of staff. The provider had improved their knowledge of child protection and the signs and symptoms which would indicate a child is at risk of harm.

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.