

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 2 March 2022, we received concerns that this provider was not meeting some of these requirements. On 14 April 2022, we completed an unannounced inspection of this provider. We found the provider was not meeting some of these requirements. Following this inspection, we served the provider with a Welfare Requirements Notice (WRN). 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.

Actions needed by 13 May 2022:

attain a good understanding of the procedures to follow in the event of an allegation being made, including the point at which allegations should be notified to relevant agencies, and the role of Ofsted and the local authority designated officer for safeguarding

improve knowledge and understanding of the signs and symptoms that indicate a child may be at risk from harm or abuse

improve knowledge and understanding of wider child protection issues, such as the risks to children from county lines gangs and extreme behaviours

ensure that the premises, including overall floor space, are suitable for the age of children cared for and the activities provided on the premises, particularly the room used for children to play in

organise the premises and equipment in a way that meets the needs of children, particularly ensuring that children can access age-appropriate resources to support their play and learning

promote good hygiene with all children, so that they begin to understand routines from an early age

develop suitable arrangements for training to improve knowledge and skills, so that the quality of care and learning for children improves

develop effective partnerships with parents that promote a two-way flow of information, including sharing information about children's starting points, interests, ongoing progress and next steps in learning

make accurate assessments of children's stage of development, learning needs and interests and provide learning experiences that are tailored to their individual needs and target their next steps in learning.

On 17 May 2022, we carried out an unannounced visit to monitor the WRN. We are satisfied that the provider has met the actions. 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.