

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 22 August 2022, we received a notification from the provider, the provider met their legal requirement as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage to notify Ofsted of a serious accident or injury to a child. However, the notification was made outside of the required timescale due to an oversight by the provider, which they have since recognised.

On 24 August 2022, we completed a telephone regulatory call, to discuss the information provided in the notification. During the telephone call the provider confirmed they had reviewed the risk assessment for the activities in the room where the accident took place. It was also identified that the provider is unaware to notify other agencies, of any serious accident to a child. We will issue an action to address the weakness, by the date specified.

The action to be completed by 5 September 2022 is to:

ensure procedures for notifying local child protection agencies, of any serious accident or injury to a child are known and understood by staff and implemented as required.

The provider has since responded. They have reviewed and update policies and procedures to include the notification to child protection agencies of any serious accidents or injuries. In addition, risk assessments have been reviewed and training provided to staff, to help them gain a better understanding of how to identify risks to children and minimise hazards. Ofsted are satisfied with the action taken.

The provider remains 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.