

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 8 November 2023, the provider notified us that a child had been administered the wrong medication. 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 significant event which is likely to affect the suitability of the early years provider or any person who cares for, or is in regular contact with, children on the premises, to look after children.

On 9 November 2023, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. The provider explained that the child was unharmed. Also that this was an isolated incident and they had put measures in place to ensure a similar incident does not happen again. For example, an investigation was completed into how the error occurred; the medication policy was amended and now includes that a senior member of staff will witness medicines being administered. Medication record forms have also been amended to include a section for the witness to sign.

The fridge for storing medicine has been relocated into the manager's office. Medicines are also now placed inside individual boxes with the child's name on to create an extra level of safety. In addition, a staff meeting has been held to explain the new medicine policy with all staff to ensure good coverage of knowledge.

We are satisfied with the action taken by the provider. 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.