

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 18 March 2024, the provider notified us that there had been an incident where a child had been left in a venue unsupervised for a few minutes whilst leaving a soft play centre. 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.

On 25 March 2024, we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements and had taken swift action to put this right. We found that more robust procedures have been introduced to ensure children's safety on outings and whilst exiting venues. These include more rigorous headcounts for monitoring children on outings and how adults are deployed to ensure children are effectively supervised at all times. These updated procedures have been shared with the provider's assistants to ensure they understand their roles and responsibilities to keep children safe. The provider has given parents further information about this. 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.

