

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

On 27 June 2014, we were notified of information that raised concerns about lack of supervision of children which resulted in a child being hospitalised to release the child's airway following a child swallowing a penny. We needed to investigate this concern to see whether the setting was meeting the Early Years Foundation Stage welfare requirements relating to Risk assessment, Staff to child ratios and accident and injury.

We carried out an unannounced visit to the setting and found that whilst good assessment of risk is carried out and correct procedures followed to ensure the child was treated appropriately and parents were informed there is a weakness in the organisation for ensuring that staffing arrangements meet the needs of all the children and ensure their safety. This specifically relates to how staff are deployed and how much time is allotted to staff for ancillary and managerial duties, and allowing staff to work directly with children.

Following our investigation, we sent the provider a notice to improve that asked them to:

- ensure staffing arrangements meet the needs of all the children and ensure their safety, this specifically relates to how staff are deployed and how much time is allotted to staff for ancillary and managerial duties, and allowing staff to work directly with children (The Early Years Foundation Stage General Welfare Requirements – Staff: child ratios)

We monitored the action during an unannounced visit in November 2014, to this date the provider had not fully met the action. Although some changes in the staff rota had eased some time for the manager to undertake ancillary and managerial duties; the provider had at this point been unable to recruit a suitable member of staff. As a result, Ofsted continued to monitor the action. The provider has now recruited a new member of staff.

As a result no further action was required. The provider remains registered with Ofsted.

Publication of compliance action

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