

4.1 First aid

Policy statement

In our setting, staff are able to take action to apply first aid treatment in the event of an accident involving a child or adult. Every member of staff has a current first aid certificate. Newly qualified staff who achieved an early years qualification at level 2 or 3 on or after 30 June 2016 also have a paediatric first aid certificate in order to be counted in the adult:child ratios. The first aid qualification includes first aid training for infants and young children. We ensure that first aid training is local authority approved and is relevant to adults caring for young children.

Procedures

The first aid kit

Our first aid kit is accessible at all times, complies with the Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981 and its contents are checked and recorded on a termly basis.

- The first aid box is easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of young children.
- No un-prescribed medication is given to children, parents or staff.
- At the time of each child's admission to the setting, parents' written permission for obtaining emergency medical advice or treatment is sought. Parents sign and date their written approval.
- Parents sign a consent form at registration allowing staff to take their child to the nearest Accident and Emergency unit to be examined, treated or admitted as necessary on the understanding that parents have been informed and are on their way to the hospital.
- Quarantine box for suspected cases of Covid-19 is in Class 1.

Legal framework

- Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations (1981)

Further guidance

- First Aid at Work: Your questions answered (HSE Revised 2014)
- Basic Advice on First Aid at Work (HSE Revised 2008)
- Guidance on First Aid for Schools (DfE)

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Signed on behalf of the provider

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