



Allegations of Abuse Policy

As a childcare on domestic setting, we work as a small team and are therefore vulnerable to allegations of abuse being made against us. We take the following precautions to protect management and staff from this happening:

- We ensure all members of our setting or household over the age of 16 have been DBS Checked and EY2 checked.
- We keep note of any bruises / marks on children when they arrive and ask parents to inform us of any accidents that have occurred whilst outside my care, these are logged down on our Famly app.
- We record every accident or incident that occurs in our setting, inform parents, and request them to electronically sign to say you have seen the notification through our Famly app.
- We ensure children are always supervised.
- We ensure all visitors to our childcare setting sign the visitor's logbook and do not have unsupervised access to the children under any circumstances.

Should an allegation of abuse be made against management or a member of our staff, we will contact the following organisations for support and professional advice:

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO)
01724 298293
Ofsted – 0300 123 1231
(Within 14 days of any allegations)
Police
Insurance Provider

We will also write a detailed report of all related incidents, recording what was said by whom including times and dates. We will also ask any witnesses (if there were any) to write a report detailing events and giving their contact details.

All this information shall then be passed on to the relevant authorities as required.

Should you have any concerns regarding this policy, please do not hesitate to discuss them with management.

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