

Select Childcare

Procedure for Allegations of Abuse against a Childminder

As Childminders we are often working alone and are vulnerable to allegations of abuse being made against us. We will take precautions to protect ourselves from this happening by:

Ensuring all household members over 16 are CRB cleared

Ensuring all visitors to the house sign the visitors book and do not have unsupervised access to the children under any circumstances

Ensuring, where possible, that no workmen are in the house during minded hours, unless it is to repair an emergency service or for Health and Safety reasons.

Document every accident and incident that occurs whilst in our care, informing parents and requesting them to sign my records.

Noting any marks on the children when they arrive and asking parents to inform us of any accidents that have occurred whilst outside our care

Ensuring the children are supervised at all times

Keeping accurate records on each child and writing a daily diary if applicable.

However sometimes allegations are made and this unfortunate situation cannot be avoided. we will then follow the procedure detailed below, in order to gain support and professional advice:

Contact : Ofsted

Trio Childcare Connections

NCMA Legal Advice Line or Family Solicitor

Insurance Company

We will write a detailed record of all related incidents, including what was said and by whom, with times and dates. We will ask any witnesses (if there were any) to also write a statement detailing the incident they witnessed and giving their contact details in case it needs to be followed up by the authorities.

If you have any concerns regarding this procedure please do discuss them with us.

Childminder's signature: _____ Date: _____

Review date: _____