

04 Health procedures

04.1 Accidents and emergency treatment

Persons responsible for checking and stocking the first aid boxes: *currently Jolene Pike and Janice Bartlett*

The setting provides care for children and promotes health by ensuring emergency and first aid treatment is given as required. There are also procedures for managing food allergies in section 03 Food safety and nutrition and 04 Health.

- Parents consent to emergency medical treatment consent on registration.
- At least one person who has a current paediatric first aid (PFS) certificate is on the premises and available at all times when children are on the premises and must accompany children on outings (majority of staff are paediatric first aid trained], who regularly update their training; First Aid certificates are renewed at least every three years.
- All members of staff know the location of First Aid boxes, the contents of which are in line with St John's Ambulance recommendations as follows:
 - 20 individually wrapped sterile plasters (assorted sizes)
 - 2 sterile eye pads
 - 4 individually wrapped triangular bandages (preferably sterile)
 - 6 safety pins
 - 2 large, individually wrapped, sterile, un-medicated wound dressings
 - 6 medium, individually wrapped, sterile, un-medicated wound dressings
 - a pair of disposable gloves
 - adhesive tape (microporous)
 - cleansing wipes (alcohol free)
 - a plastic face shield (optional)
 - round ended scissors
 - foil blanket
- No other item is stored in a First Aid box.
- Vinyl single use gloves are also kept near to (not in) the box, as well as a thermometer.
- There are named persons in the setting who are responsible for checking and replenishing the First Aid Box contents.

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- A supply of instant ice packs are provided.
- For minor injuries and accidents, First Aid treatment is given by a qualified first aider; the event is recorded in the setting's Accident Record book. Parents may have a photo-copy of the accident form on request.
- In the event of minor injuries or accidents, parents are normally informed when they collect their child, unless the child is unduly upset or members of staff have any concerns about the injury. In which case they will contact the parent for clarification of what they would like to do, i.e. collect the child or take them home and seek further advice from NHS 111.

Serious accidents or injuries

- An ambulance is called for children requiring emergency treatment.
- First aid is given until the ambulance arrives on scene. If at any point it is suspected that the child has died, 06.7 Death of a child on site procedure is implemented and the police are called immediately.
- The registration form is taken to the hospital with the child.
- Parents or carers are contacted and informed of what has happened and where their child is being taken to.
- If the parents/carers do not arrive at the setting before the ambulance sets off for the hospital, a member of staff accompanies the child and remains with them until the parent/carer arrives.

Recording and reporting

- In the event of a serious accident, injury, or serious illness, the designated person notifies the designated officer using 6.1c Confidential safeguarding incident report form as soon as possible.
- The setting's manager is consulted before a RIDDOR report is filed.
- If required, a RIDDOR form is completed; one copy is sent to the parent, one for the child's file and one for the local authority Health and Safety Officer.
- The trustees are notified by the setting manager of any serious accident or injury to, or serious illness of, or the death of, any child whilst in their care in order to be able to notify Ofsted and any advice given will be acted upon. Notification to Ofsted is made as soon as is reasonably practicable and always within 14 days of the incident occurring. The designated safeguarding person will, after consultation with the trustees, inform local child protection agencies of these events if required.

Further guidance

Accident Record (Early Years Alliance 2019)