# **Early Years**

# Procedure for funded settings where Ofsted registration is suspended

The Provider Agreement clearly identifies the required quality standards in order for settings to receive funding and be on the Directory of Providers. The Provider Agreement outlines the procedure for settings with suspended Ofsted registration.

If a setting has its Ofsted registration suspended, the provider MUST:

- Notify the LA Early Years team within 24 hours of receiving notice of suspension
- Provide the LA Early Years team with the notice of suspension and associated actions
- Display the notice of suspension in the setting (Ofsted requirement)

#### This process will be followed for settings where Ofsted registration is suspended:

The provider will notify the LA Early Years Team of the suspension

Early Years Team notifies Director of Education Services, Families Information Service, NCSCP, Early Years Funding Co-ordinator



# Early Years team contact the setting in writing to:

- Acknowledge suspension
- Advise on funding suspension process and timelines
- Discuss and agree timelines for transferring children and families to other providers.
- Provide details of Provider Intervention meeting
- Issue Intervention Action Plan



#### Provider Intervention meeting

## Early Years Team focus:

- Clarify suspension of early years funding
- Discuss and formalise Intervention Action Plan
- Discuss and agree Early Years team involvement and timelines
- Discuss any safeguarding concerns/Ofsted actions



## Ofsted lift suspension

- LA reinstates funding for 9 months – 23 months, 2, 3 and 4 year olds
- Setting reinstated on DOP



## Ofsted extend suspension

Second Provider
Intervention meeting
organised and Intervention
Action Plan updated



# Ofsted issue Notice of Intention to cancel registration

 Notification of Intention/ Notification of Decision process followed

