



Caterpillars Pre-School

Health Policy

July 2023

(Minor content change)

4.0 Health policy

Alongside associated procedures in 4.1-4.6 Health, this policy was adopted by Caterpillars Preschool in October 2023.

Aim

Our provision is a suitable, clean, and safe place for children to be cared for, where they can grow and learn. They meet all statutory requirements for promoting health and hygiene and fulfil the criteria for meeting the relevant Early Years Foundation Stage Safeguarding and Welfare requirements.

Objectives

We promote health through:

- ensuring emergency and first aid treatment is given where necessary
- ensuring that medicine necessary to maintain health is given correctly and in accordance with legal requirements
- identifying allergies and preventing contact with the allergenic substance
- identifying food ingredients that contain recognised allergens and **making the information available to parents on request.**
- promoting health through taking necessary steps to prevent the spread of infection and taking appropriate action when children are ill
- promoting healthy lifestyle choices through diet and exercise
- supporting parents right to choose complementary therapies
- pandemic flu planning or illness outbreak management as per DfE and World Health Organisation (WHO) guidance

Legal References

Medicines Act (1968)

Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 2013 (RIDDOR)

Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulations (2002)

Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981

Food Information Regulations 2014

Further guidance

Accident Record (Early Years Alliance 2019)

This policy was adopted by

Caterpillars Pre-School Management Committee

In

October 2023

Date to be reviewed

July 2024

Signed on behalf of the provider



Name of Signatory

Amber Pullen

Role of Signatory (e.g. Chair, Director,
Owner)

Chair