

Children and Adults: Early Years

Process for funded settings graded as inadequate or requires improvement

The Provider Agreement for providing free entitlement to Early Years Provision for 2, 3 & 4 year olds identifies the required standards for settings to receive funding and be included in the Directory of Providers. In order for an EYFS Support Worker to be present at inspection feedback (capacity allowing) settings are requested to inform the Early Years Team when an inspection is taking place.

If a setting receives an inadequate or requires improvement grade following their Ofsted inspection:

- Funding **will not** be automatically withdrawn unless the LA feels that children are at risk however;
- If the Local Authority feel children are at risk within the setting, arrangements will be made to suspend funding and families will be supported to transfer to other settings as appropriate -see page 21 of the Provider Agreement 2018-19 (incorporating the Local Code of Practice).

This process will be followed for settings graded inadequate or requires improvement

