

Early years compliance handbook – October 2016 changes

Paragraph reference	Reason for change
68 (heading)	Clarifies that 'notifications' means notifications from providers.
71	Explains how we link new cases to any existing cases relating to the same provider.
82	Confirmation that we do not delay our own investigation about a concern whilst waiting for other agencies to complete theirs.
91	Explains how we deal with circumstances where another agency is delaying its investigation.
92	Sets out the escalation route we take where other agencies are delaying their investigation.
95-96	Clarifies our policy on attending child protection strategy meetings.
102	Confirms that all child protection strategy meeting minutes must be considered at case discussions.
150	Clarifies when and how we may record children's names in our database.
152	Sets out timescales for inspectors to submit their evidence.
153-154	Establishes our policy on completing investigations and closing cases.
157	Sets out the need for all case discussion proformas to include relevant documents received.
158	Clarifies that documents mentioned in paragraph 157 include minutes of child protection strategy meetings.
182-184	Clarifies our policy on following up and recording information about actions in welfare requirements notices.
443	Clarifies that we should carry out a case review when deciding whether to defend an appeal.