

Tuarascáil Rialála na Cigireachta Luathbhlianta

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An tÚdarás chun Cigireacht a dhéanamh

Déanann Cigireacht Luathbhlianta Tusla cigireachtaí ar Sheirbhísí Luathbhlianta faoi Alt 58(J) den Acht um Chúram Leanaí 1991 (arna chur isteach ag Alt 92 den Acht fán nGníomhaireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach, 2013).

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Cur síos ar an tseirbhís

Osclaíodh Naionra Bhaile Mhúirne don chéad uair in 2004 agus is seirbhís pháirtaimseartha agus seisiúnach chláráithe luathbhlianta í a fhreastalaíonn ar leanaí idir trí bliana agus sé bliana d'aois agus a fhreastalaíonn ar an Scéim um Chúram agus Oideachas na Luath-Óige (ECCE). Is iad na huaireanta oscailte ó 09:00 go 14:00 uair an chloig gach lá Luan go hAoine. Feidhmíonn an tseirbhís ó sheomra amháin i bhfoirgneamh scoite ina bhfuil saoráidí sláintíochta leordhóthanacha do dhaoine fásta agus do leanaí. Tá an tseirbhís lonnaithe i dtailte CLG áitiúla i sráidbhaile tuaithe Bhaile Bhuirne, Co. Corcaigh Cuirtear seirbhís cúram aoise scoile cláráithe ar fáil i seomra ar leith atá suite in aice le seomra an Naíonra.

Soláthar Foirne

Bhí seisear bainteach leis an tseirbhís, lena n-áirítear an soláthraí cláráithe ainmnithe agus an comhordaitheoir réigiúnach nach bhfuil bunaithe ar sheirbhís. Áiríodh an duine i gceannas agus an leas-chleachtóir cúraim leanaí i measc na dtrí chleachtóir cúraim leanaí a bhí i láthair tráth na cigireachta. Tá cáilíocht aitheanta i gCúram agus Oideachas na Luath-Óige ag an triúr ball foirne a d'oibrigh go díreach leis na leanaí luath-óige. Bhí mac léinn tríú leibhéal amháin ar shocrúchán sa tseirbhís. Ní raibh sí i láthair sa tseirbhís ag am na cigireachta.

Modheolaíocht

Is í Cigireacht Luathbhlianta Tusla an rialtóir reachtúil neamhspleách ar sheirbhísí luathbhlianta in Éirinn. Sainmhínítear i Rialachán an Achta um Chúram Leanaí 1991 (Seirbhísí Luathbhlianta) 2016 an dualgas atá ar sholáthraí cláráithe sábháilteacht agus folláine leanaí a áirithiú agus na rialacháin sin a chomhlíonadh. Leis an Acht sin údaraítear Tusla chun measúnú a dhéanamh ar chomhlíonadh na rialachán freisin. Is é cuspóir na rialála maidir le seirbhísí luathbhlianta ná a áirithiú go gcloítear le cúram, sábháilteacht agus folláine na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar na seirbhísí sin. Déantar cigireachtaí ar sheirbhísí luathbhlianta a phleanáil bunaithe ar an méid seo a leanas:

- Stair na cigireachta a rinneadh roimhe
- Aon fhaisnéis a fhaightear maidir leis an tseirbhís

Tá torthaí na cigireachta bunaithe ar na nithe seo a leanas:

- Faisnéis a fhaightear trí mhionscrúdú ar cháipéisíocht
- Breathnóireacht dhíreach
- Plé leis an bhfoireann ábhartha

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Níor fógraíodh an chigireacht seo agus díríodh í ar réimse an rialachais/na sláinte, an leasa agus fhorbairt na leanaí/na sábháilteachta/na n-áitreabh agus na n-áiseanna. Féadfaidh an chigireacht díriú ar réimsí eile freisin de réir mar is gá.

Déantar torthaí na cigireachta a dhoiciméadú sa tuarascáil chigireachta a eisítear den chéad uair i ndrénachtfhormáid chuig an tseirbhís agus deis ann freagra a thabhairt ar aon torthaí. Nuair a shainaithnítear ceanglais reachtúla nach bhfuil á gcomhlíonadh, ní mór don soláthraí cláraithe a léiriú conas a cheartaigh sé an neamhchomhlíonadh agus conas a chinnteoidh sé nach dtarlóidh aon neamhchomhlíonadh arís. Úsáidfear an Plean um Ghníomh Ceartaitheach agus um Ghníomh Coiscitheach chun bonn eolais a chur faoi chinntí maidir le comhlíonadh na gceanglas rialála. I gcás ina dteipeann ar an soláthraí cláraithe na ceanglais reachtúla a chomhlíonadh, féadfar tús a chur le próiseas géaraithe.

Forchoimeádan an chigireacht an ceart chun eagarthóireacht a dhéanamh ar na freagraí a fhaightear ar chúiseanna lena n-áirítear soiléireacht, iomláine agus comhlíonadh na bpróiseas riaracháin agus dlíthiúl.

Is é an comhlacht cigireachta a thiomasaíonn ábhar na tuarascála.

Admhálacha

Is mian leis an gcigire aitheantas a thabhairt do chomhoibriú an duine atá i gceannas, na foirne agus na leanaí a bhí i láthair lá na cigireachta.

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Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

Rialachán 9 – Bainistíocht agus earcaíocht

(1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe-

(a) go mbeidh sa tseirbhís duine i bhfeighil ainmnithe agus duine arna ainmniú nó arna hainmniú a bheidh ábalta gníomhú mar ionadaí de réir mar is gá,
go mbeidh an duine i bhfeighil ainmnithe nó an duine arna ainmniú nó arna hainmniú dá dtagraítear i bhfomhír (a) san áitreabh gach tráth le linn na tréimhse ina mbeidh an tseirbhís réamhscoile á seoladh, agus
(c) go bhfuil struchtúr bainistíochta soiléir sa tseirbhís ina sainaithnítear na línte údaráis agus cuntasachta sa tseirbhís, agus róil agus freagrachtaí sonracha gach fostaí agus oibrí neamhíoctha freisin.

(2) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh gach fostaí, oibrí gan phá agus conraitheoir oiriúnach agus inniúil agus cineál na riachtanas atá ag leanaí á chur i gcuntas, lena n-áirítear-

(a) breithniú ar theistiméireachtaí ó fhostóirí an duine san am a caitheadh, más ann, agus go háirithe ar theistiméireacht ón bhfostóir is déanaí, más ann,
(b) breithniú ar theistiméireachtaí ó fhoinsí iontaofa i gcás duine nach raibh aon fhostóir aige nó aici san am a caitheadh,
(c) breithniú ar an nochtadh grinnfhiosrúcháin a fuarthas ó Bhiúró Náisiúnta Grinnfhiosrúcháin an Gharda Síochána de réir Acht 2012 i leith an duine, agus
(d) a chinntiú, a mhéid is indéanta, go soláthróidh duine, i gcás go raibh cónaí air nó uirthi i stát seachas an Stát ar feadh tréimhse níos faide ná 6 mhí as a chéile, grinnfhiosrúchán póilíneachta ó na húdaráis phóilíneachta sa stát sin.

(4) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe, gan dochar do ghinearáltacht mhír (2) agus faoi réir mhíreanna (5) agus (6), go sealbhaíonn gach fostaí a bhíonn ag obair go díreach le leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís mórdhámhachtain i gCúram agus Oideachas Luath-óige ar Leibhéal 5 ar an gCreat Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí nó cáilíocht a mheasfaidh an tAire a bheith coibhéiseach léi sin, ar a laghad.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

(1)

(a) Bhí duine ainmnithe i gceannas agus ionadaí ainmnithe ar fáil chun ionadaíocht a dhéanamh de réir mar ba ghá.
(b) Bhí an duine i gceannas agus an t-ionadaí i láthair san áitreabh lá na cigireachta.
(c) Bhí struchtúr bainistíochta soiléir i bhfeidhm sa tseirbhís.

(2) Rinneadh measúnú ar dhoiciméadacht i ndáil le ceanglais Rialachán 9 do 6 dhuine fásta a bhfuil baint acu leis an tseirbhís. Bhí na taifid seo a leanas ar fáil do na 6 dhuine fásta:

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- (a) As na 12 thagairt is gá, tháinig 5 thagairt ó fhostóirí roimhe seo a raibh taifid ar bhailíochtú ar comhad acu.
- (b) Ba ó fhoinsé eile seachas fostóir roimhe seo a tháinig na 7 dtagairt eile agus bhí taifid ar an mbailíochtú riachtanach ar comhad.
- (c) Bhí nochtadh grinnfhiosrúcháin an Gharda Síochána ar fáil ar taifead maidir leis na 7 dhuine fásta. Léirigh an tseirbhís freisin gur comhlíonadh an Fógra Rialála Cigireachta Luathbhlianta lena gceanglaítear ar sheirbhísí grinnfhiosrúcháin ón nGarda Síochána a athnuachan gach trí bliana.
- (d) Bhí taifead grinnfhiosrúcháin ó póilíní ar comhad don bhall foirne amháin a raibh cónaí air lasmuigh den dlínse ar feadh tréimhse ab fhaide ná 6 mhí as a chéile.
- (4)
- Bhí fianaise ann go raibh mórdhámhachtain bainte amach ag an triúr ball foirne a bhí ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí i gCúram agus Oideachas na Luath-Óige ar an gCreat Náisiúnta um Cháilíochtaí, nó cáilíocht a mheastar a bheith coibhéiseach.

Faisnéis maidir le Neamhchomhlíonadh

- (2)
- (d) Ní raibh taifead grinnfhiosrúcháin póilíneachta ar taifead do dhuine fásta amháin a raibh cónaí air nó uirthi lasmuigh den dlínse ar feadh tréimhse níos faide ná 6 mhí as a chéile agus é nó í os cionn 18 mbliana d'aois.

Gníomh Ceartaitheach & Coiscitheach curtha isteach ag an Soláthraí Cláraithe

Gníomh Ceartaitheach agus Coiscitheach

- (2)
- (d) Sa fhreagra i scríbhinn, thaifead an soláthraí cláraithe go ndearna an duine fásta iarratas ar thaifead grinnfhiosrúcháin riachtanach na bpóilíní.

Doiciméid tacaíochta curtha isteach

Cuireadh cruthúnas ar an iarratas ar thaifead grinnfhiosrúcháin na bpóilíní agus admháil fála ar aghaidh chuig an gcigire luathbhlianta.

Nóta Achomair

Rinneadh athbhreithniú ar fhianaise ar iarratas ar ghrinnfhiosrúcháin póilíneachta idirnáisiúnta; níor cuireadh cóip de ghrinnfhiosrúcháin iomlán na bPóilíní Idirnáisiúnta faoi bhráid an chigire go dtí seo, áfach. Ceanglaítear ar an soláthraí cláraithe na doiciméid riachtanacha a thabhairt don Chigireacht nuair a fhaightear iad. Tá an neamhchomhlíonadh i ndáil le rialachán 9(2)(d) fós gan réiteach.

Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

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Rialachán 11 – Leibhéil foirne

- (1) Faoi réir an Rialacháin seo, áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh líon leordhóthanach daoine fásta i gcónaí ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.
- (2) Faoi réir mhíreanna (4) agus (5), cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse cúraim lae iomláin nó seirbhíse cúraim lae pháirtaimseartha go gcomhlíonfar gach tráth an cóimheas íosta idir daoine fásta agus leanaí a shonraítear i gcolún (3) de Chuid 1 de Sceideal 6 os coinne uimhreach tagartha áirithe a shonraítear i gcolún (1) den Chuid sin i leith raon aoise na leanaí a shonraítear i gcolún (2) den Chuid sin ag an uimhir thagartha sin.

Faisnéis maidir le comhlíonadh

- (1)
Chinntigh an duine a bhí i gceannas go raibh líon leordhóthanach daoine fásta ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí sa Naíonra ar lá an iniúchta.
- (2)
Le linn na tréimhse cigireachta, coinníodh an cóimheas foirne le leanaí de réir na rialachán agus bhí líon leordhóthanach daoine fásta ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí.
- Bhí 18 leanbh i láthair i seirbhís seisiúnach na maidine agus 2 leanbh ag freastal ar an tseirbhís pháirtaimseartha agus 3 dhuine fásta i láthair ar lá na cigireachta. Bhí an cóimheas idir leanaí agus daoine fásta ceart.

Cuid IV – Faisnéis agus Taifid

Rialachán 15 – Taifead ar leanbh réamhscoile

- (1) Déanfaidh soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse réamhscoile seachas seirbhís réamhscoile i lárionad buail isteach nó seirbhís réamhscoile shealadach a chinntiú go gcoimeádfar taifead i scríbhinn maidir le gach leanbh réamhscoile atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís ina mbeidh na sonraí seo a leanas:
- a) ainm agus dáta breithe an linbh;
 - (b) an dáta a d'fhreastail an leanbh ar an tseirbhís den chéad uair;
 - c) an dáta a scoir an leanbh de bheith ag freastal ar an tseirbhís;
 - (d) ainm agus seoladh tuismitheora no' caomhno'ra leis an leanbh agus uimhir theileafóin lenar fe'idir dul i dteagmháil leis an tuismitheoir no' leis an gcaomhno'ir sin no' le gaol no' le cara leis an leanbh le linn uaireanta oibríochta na seirbhíse;
 - (e) údarú chun an leanbh a bhailiú;

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- (f) mionsonraí aon bhreiteachta, aon mhi'chumais, aon aille'irge no' aon riachtanais speisialta ar an leanbh, mar aon leis an bhfaisne'is go le'ir is iomchur' maidir le cu'ram no' aire speisialta a shola'thar;
- (g) ainm agus uimhir theileafóin lia-chleachtóir cláraithe an linbh;
- (h) taifead ar imdhíontaí, más ann, a fuair an leanbh;
- (i) toiliú scríofa tuismitheora do chóireáil leighis chuí don leanbh i gcás éigeandála

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1)(a) go (i)

Rinneadh athbhreithniú ar shampla de 12 fhoirm chlárúcháin do leanaí agus fuarthas amach go raibh na gnéithe faisnéise go léir a cheanglaítear le Rialachán 15 (1) (a) go (i) san áireamh iontu uile.

Cuid IV – Faisnéis agus Taifid

Rialachán 16 – Taifead maidir le seirbhís réamhscoile

- (1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go gcoimeádfar taifead i scríbhinn ar an bhfaisnéis seo a leanas i ndáil leis an tseirbhís:
- (h) sonraí faoi thinreamh gach linbh réamhscoile ar bhonn laethúil;
- (i) mionsonraí faoi uainchlár foirne ar bhonn laethúil;
- (k) sonraí maidir le haon tionóisc, díobháil nó teagmhas a bhain le leanbh réamhscoile atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

- (1)
- (h) Taifeadadh agus coimeádadh taifead scríofa sa tseirbhís ar fhreastal gach linbh ar bhonn laethúil lena n-áirítear an t-am teachta agus imeachta ón tseirbhís. Taifeadadh agus coinníodh taifead tinrimh ar leith de gach leanbh a bhí ag freastal ar an bpáirt-am
- (i) Coinníodh uainchlár foirne seachtainiúil sa tseirbhís. Léirigh uainchlár na foirne ainmneacha na foirne a bhí i láthair gach lá, na hamanna teachta agus imeachta.
- (k) Bhí cóip chrua de leabhar taifid Tionóiscí agus Teagmhas sa tseirbhís. Áiríodh leis an teimpléad Timpiste agus Teagmhais, nuair a bhí sé sínithe, cóip dhúblach de gach taifead timpiste agus teagmhais don tuismitheoir/chaomhnóir.

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Cuid V - Cúram Leanaí sa tSeirbhís Réamhscoile

Rialachán 19 - Sláinte, leas agus forbairt leanaí

(1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe, le linn seirbhís réamhscoile a sholáthar-

(a) go n-éascaítear foghlaim, forbairt agus dea-bhail gach linbh laistigh de shaol laethúil na seirbhíse réamhscoile trí na gníomhaíochtaí, an idirghníomhaíocht, na hábhair agus an trealamh cuí a sholáthar, ag féachaint d'aois agus do chéim forbartha an linbh, agus

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

Bunriachtanais

- Chuir an tseirbhís bia sláintiúil chun cinn agus tugadh faoi deara go raibh an bia a chuir na tuismitheoirí agus na caomhnóirí ar fáil do smailceacha i lár na maidine sláintiúil agus cothaitheach.
- Breathnaíodh gur ócáid shóisialta é an béile lár na maidine, mar a labhair na páistí go saor i dtimpeallacht shuaimhneach. Chuir an fhoireann cúnamh cuí ar fáil, mar shampla cuidiú le cartáin a oscailt de réir mar is gá agus diúscairt bruscair a spreagadh sa bhosca bruscair ceart.
- Le linn gníomhaíochtaí boird a breathnaíodh, thug an fhoireann tacaíocht agus spreagadh do na leanaí, a d'aithin a gcuid iarrachtaí agus a gcuid éachtaí.
- Rinne baill foirne maoirseacht ar leithlisiú go réidh agus breathnaíodh orthu chun cabhrú le gach duine de na leanaí nuair a bhí gá leo agus iad ag níochnán láimhe agus ag triomú de láimh. Tugadh tacaíocht agus spreagadh do na páistí roimh ithe, tar éis súgartha agus leithris.
- Breathnaíodh go raibh an fhoireann ag idirghníomhú ar bhealach comhbhách leis na leanaí ag cur lena muinín agus a scileanna cumarsáide laistigh den suíomh. Chabhraigh an fhoireann le páistí na rialacha maidir le bheith le chéile i ngrúpa a aithint agus a thuiscint mar a breathnaíodh ar lá na cigireachta le linn gníomhaíocht mhór ghrúpa nuair a bhí an fhoireann ag iarraidh ar gach duine de na páistí ar a seal i nGaeilge cad a rinne siad thar an deireadh seachtaine.
- Ar an drochuair, mar gheall ar an drochaimsir ní raibh na páistí in ann imirt lasmuigh ar lá na cigireachta. Ina áit sin, breathnaíodh ar an bhfoireann ag míniú rialacha cluichí grúpa do na páistí a imríodh taobh istigh, mar shampla cathaoireacha ceoil agus damhsa agus ollghluaiseacht mhótair do cheol na hÉireann.

Timpeallacht Fhisiciúil agus Ábhartha

- Bhí an seomra súgartha aerúil agus geal le fuinneoga oscailte chun aeráil nádúrtha agus solas a cheadú. Bhí ballaí na seirbhíse úr agus glan mar bhí an tseirbhís péinteáilte ón iniúchadh deireanach.

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- Thug an seomra cúraim fairsing an cumas do leanaí gluaiseacht faoi shaoirse, mar ghlac siad páirt i ngníomhaíochtaí éagsúla, amhail dathú agus líníocht, súgradh samhailteach agus gníomhaíochtaí boird.
- Bhí seilfeanna oscailte ag an seomra súgartha chun an réimse leathan ábhar agus trealamh súgartha a thaispeáint ar bhealach inrochtana do na páistí.
- Bhí go leor gníomhaíochtaí boird ann chun súgradh mín scile mótair a spreagadh, mar shampla míreanna mearaí, snáithiú agus brící tógála éagsúla, péinteáil agus dathú.
- I measc na ngníomhaíochtaí súgartha samhlaíocha agus ligean orthu bhí cúinne baile agus éadaí gléasta éagsúla a bhí gach ceann acu ar chrochadóir chun ligean do na páistí súgradh samhlaíoch a chleachtadh ar bhealach cuideachtúil lena gcairde.
- Cuireadh an seomra súgartha ar fáil i gcúinne amháin le toilg ísle, matra agus rogha leathan leabhar do chompord na leanaí. Bhí go leor táblaí agus cathaoireacha ar mhéid an linbh sa seomra.
- Cuireadh limistéar súgartha lasmuigh ar fáil don tseirbhís atá suite laistigh de thailte an CLG.

Cuid V - Cúram Leanaí sa tSeirbhís Réamhscoile

Rialachán 22 – Bia agus deoch

Cinnteoideh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh bia agus deoch leordhóthanach, oiriúnach, cothaitheach agus éagsúil ar fáil do gach leanbh réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

- Chuir tuismitheoirí agus caomhnóirí na leanaí gach earra bia ar fáil agus bhí rochtain ag na leanaí ar a mbuidéal uisce féin le linn an tseisiúin.
- Stóráiltear gloiní i mboscaí sneaiceanna agus stóráiltear iad sa chuisneoir seirbhíse.
- Chonacthas lónta sláintiúla cothaitheacha á n-ithe ag sneaiceanna lár na maidine amhail ceapairí, fillteáin rollaí, ceapairí feola agus cáise, iógart, picilí agus brioscaí cáise agus rogha torthaí agus glasraí mionghearrtha agus díslithe.

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Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 23 - Sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas an linbh a chosaint

Áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go ndéantar gach beart réasúnach chun sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas leanaí réamhscoile atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís a chosaint agus go bhfuil timpeallacht na seirbhíse sábháilte.

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Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

- Nuair a shroich an cigire an tseirbhís, fuarthas amach go raibh an doras isteach daingnithe agus coinníodh slán é nuair nach raibh sé in úsáid.
- Ní raibh aon ghlantacháin ar fáil do na páistí.
- Bhí an bosca garchabhrach stóráilte go cuí agus ní raibh rochtain ag leanaí air.
- Bhí teocht an uisce sna báisíní níos álainn rialaithe go teirmeastatach, ionas nach rachadh siad thar 43°C. Ba é 29°C teocht an uisce taifeadta sna báisíní níos álainn i leithris na bpáistí lá na cigireachta.
- Ní raibh rochtain ag na páistí ar fhuinneoga inoscailte sa Naíonra agus i limistéar leithris na leanaí mar a bhí siad ag airde an duine fhásta.
- Ní raibh aon bhac ar dhoirse éalaithe dóiteáin éigeandála.

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

- Bhí áiseanna oiriúnacha níos álainn láimhe ar fáil sna háiseanna leithris. Bhí uisce te, gallúnach leachtach agus tuáillí páipéir ar fáil. Tá dhá leithreas do leanaí agus leithreas foirne ainmnithe amháin ann. Bhí siad glan agus coinnithe go maith le fíochán leithris, arduithe céime glana agus suíocháin leithris ar fáil do chompord na leanaí.
- Breathnaíodh níos álainn láimhe ag na páistí roimh na sneaiceanna lár-maidin, tar éis súgartha agus leithris.
- Rinneadh dramhaíl phearsanta lena n-áirítear fíocháin úsáidte agus an dramhaíl ghlantacháin uile a dhíúscairt go hiomchuí in araidí cos a oibrítear de chois sa tseirbhís.
- Coinníodh an t-áitreabh i riocht glan agus sláinteach agus bhí taifid ghlantacháin chomhfhreagracha ar fáil. Breathnaíodh go raibh na boird á sláintiú roimh agus tar éis am sneaiceanna.
- Stóráladh cótaí agus málaí leanaí ar chrúcaí airde leanaí i limistéar iontrála an bhunábhair chun cóiriú neamhspleách a spreagadh.

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Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 25 - Garchabhair

(1) Áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh duine atá oilte i ngarchabhair do leanaí ar fáil láithreach, i gcónaí, do na leanaí atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

(2) Áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go ndéanfar bosca garchabhrach atá feistithe go cuí do leanaí-

(a) go stórálfar é go sábháilte in áit atá inrochtana agus feiceálach go héasca san áitreabh, agus

(b) go mbeidh sé ar fáil do na leanaí atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile i gcónaí.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

(1) Chinntigh an soláthraí cláraithe go raibh foireann ar fáil i gcónaí le hoiliúint chuí don fhreagróir garchabhrach.

Thug deimhniú FAR ar comhad le fios go raibh teastais oiliúna reatha cothrom le dáta ag na baill foirne agus ag an mac léinn tríú leibhéal.

(2)

(a) Stóráladh an bosca garchabhrach go sábháilte as teacht na leanaí sa tseirbhís. Stóráladh an bosca garchabhrach in áit inrochtana agus feiceálach ar an áitreabh

(b) Bhí an bosca garchabhrach lántrealmhaithe ar fáil i gcónaí do dhaoine fásta dá mbeadh cóireáil ag teastáil ó leanbh.

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Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 26 - Bearta sábháilteachta dóiteáin

(1) Áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go gcoimeádfar taifead i scríbhinn-

(a) ar aon druil dóiteáin a bheidh ar siúl san áitreabh, agus

(b) ar líon, cineál agus taifead cothabhála an trealamh comhraicthe dóiteáin agus na n-aláram deataigh san áitreabh.

(4) Déanfar fógra faoi na nósanna imeachta a bheidh le leanúint i gcás dóiteáin a chur ar taispeáint in áit fheiceálach san áitreabh.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

(1)

(a) Bhí taifead ar dhruileanna dóiteáin míosúla a rinneadh ar fáil agus tugadh le fios ann gur tharla an druil dóiteáin dheireanach ar lá na cigireachta an 28 Eanáir 2026.

(b) Coinníodh líon, cineál agus taifead cothabhála an trealamh comhraicthe dóiteáin. Taifeadadh go ndearnadh an trealamh dóiteáin a sheirbhísiú go deireanach an 17 Meán Fómhair 2025 agus go ndearnadh an córas aláirim dóiteáin éigeandála a thástáil agus a sheirbhísiú go deireanach an 11 Meán Fómhair

(4)

Bhí nós imeachta aslonnaithe dóiteáin na seirbhíse ina raibh sonraí maidir leis an nós imeachta a bhí le leanúint i gcás dóiteáin ar taispeáint sa tseirbhís.

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 28 - Árachas

Áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe go bhfuil árachas leordhóthanach ag an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

D'áirithigh an soláthraí cláraithe go raibh árachas leordhóthanach ag an tseirbhís, le hárachas do 22 leanbh go dtí an 27 Samhain 2026. Sonraíodh sna taifid an chatagóir seirbhíse a bhí clúdaithe ag Naíonra agus a raibh seirbhís pháirtaimseartha mar chuid di. Ainm agus seoladh an áitribh agus sonraí maidir le cumhdach dliteanais phoiblí, tine, gadaíocht, foirgnimh agus cumhdach turais.

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TUSLA Identifier:	TU2015CC284
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Name of Service:	Naionra Bhaile Mhúirne
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Address of Service:	Maigh Réidh, Baile Mhic Íre, Magh Chromtha, Co. Cork
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Eircode:	P12 YD62
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Name of Registered Provider:	Ray Mac Pháidín
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Service type:	Part Time, Sessional
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Date(s) of Inspection:	09/02/2026
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No of pre-school children:	AM	18	PM	2
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Address of the Early Years Inspectorate:	Early Years Department, Child & Family Agency, Hospital Grounds, Coolnagarrane, Skibbereen, Co Cork P81 PD78
Inspection undertaken by:	M. O Reilly
Title:	Early Years Inspector

Authority to Inspect

The Tusla Early Years Inspectorate carries out inspections of Early Years Services under Section 58(J) of the Child Care Act 1991 (as inserted by Section 92 of the Child and Family Agency Act 2013).

Conditions if applicable	N/A
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Description of service

Naionra Bhaile Mhúirne first opened in 2004 and is a registered early years part time and sessional service that caters for children from aged three to six years and attending the Early Childhood Care and Education Scheme (ECCE). The opening hours are from 09:00 to 14:00 hours each day Monday to Friday. The service operates from one room in a detached building with adequate adult and children's sanitary facilities. The service is located in the local GAA grounds in the rural village of Ballyvourney Co Cork. A registered school age care service is provided in a separate room located beside the Naíonra room.

Staffing

There were six persons associated with the service, this included the named registered provider and regional co-ordinator who are not service based. The three childcare practitioners present at time of inspection included the person in charge and the deputy. The three staff who worked directly with the early years children all hold a recognised qualification in Early Childhood Care and Education. There was one third level student on placement in the service. She was not present in the service at time of inspection.

Methodology

Tusla's Early Years Inspectorate is the independent statutory regulator of early years services in Ireland. The Child Care Act 1991 (Early Years Services) Regulations 2016 define the duty of a registered provider to ensure the safety and well-being of children and to comply with these regulations. This Act also gives Tusla the authority to assess compliance with the regulations. The purpose of regulation in relation to early years services is to ensure that the care, safety, and well-being of children attending such services is upheld. Inspections of early years services are planned based on the following:

- Previous inspection history
- Any information received in relation to the service

The findings on inspection are based on:

- Information obtained through examination of documentation
- Direct observation
- Discussion with relevant staff

This inspection was unannounced and focused on the area of governance/ health, welfare and development of child/ safety/ premises and facilities. The inspection may also focus on other areas as required.

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Inspection findings are documented in the inspection report which is first issued in draft format to the service with an opportunity to respond to any findings. Where statutory requirements are identified as not being met, the registered provider must demonstrate how they have rectified the non-compliance and will prevent any non-compliance from re occurring. The Corrective Action and Preventive Action plan (CAPA) will be used to inform decisions about compliance with regulatory requirements. Where the registered provider fails to meet the statutory requirements an escalation process may be commenced.

The inspectorate reserves the right to edit responses received for reasons including clarity, completeness and compliance with administrative and legal processes.

The contents of the report are compiled by the inspectorate body.

Acknowledgments

The inspector wishes to acknowledge the cooperation of the person in charge, staff and children who were present on the day of the inspection.

Part III – Management and Staff

Regulation 9 – Management and recruitment

- (1) A registered provider shall ensure that-
- (a) the service has a designated person in charge and a named person who is able to deputise as required,
 - (b) at all times during the period when the pre-school service is being carried on, the designated person in charge or the named person referred to in subparagraph (a) is on the premises, and
 - (c) there is a clear management structure in the service that identifies the lines of authority and accountability in the service and the specific roles and responsibilities of each employee and unpaid worker.
- (2) A registered provider shall ensure that each employee, unpaid worker and contractor is suitable and competent taking into consideration the nature of the needs of children, including by-
- (a) consideration of references from the person's past employers, if any, and in particular the most recent employer, if any,
 - (b) consideration of references from reputable sources in the case of a person who has no past employers,
 - (c) consideration of the vetting disclosure received from the National Vetting Bureau of the Garda Síochána in accordance with the Act of 2012 in respect of the person, and
 - (d) ensuring, insofar as is practicable, that where a person has lived in a state other than the State for a period of longer than 6 consecutive months, he or she provides police vetting from the police authorities in that state.
- (4) A registered provider shall ensure that, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (2) and subject to paragraphs (5) and (6), each employee working directly with children attending the service holds at least a major award in Early childhood Care and Education at Level 5 on the National Qualifications Framework or a qualification deemed by the Minister to be equivalent.

Compliance Information

- (1)
- (a) There was a named person in charge and a named deputy available to deputise as required.
 - (b) The person in charge and the deputy were present on the premises on day of the inspection.
 - (c) There was a clear management structure in place in the service.
- (2) Documentation was assessed in relation to the requirements of Regulation 9 for 6 adults associated with the service. The following records were available for the 6 adults:
- (a) Of the required 12 references, 5 references were from previous employers with records of validation on file.
 - (b) The remaining 7 references were from another source other than a previous employer with records of the required validation on file.

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(c) A Garda vetting disclosure was available on file in respect of the 7 adults. The service also demonstrated compliance with the Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Notice requiring services to renew Garda vetting every three years.

(d) A police vetting record was on file for the one staff member who had resided outside the jurisdiction for a period of longer than 6 consecutive months.

(4)
There was evidence that the 3 staff members working directly with the children had attained a major award in Early Childhood Care and Education on the National Framework for Qualifications, or a qualification deemed to be equivalent.

Non-Compliance Information

(2)
(d) A police vetting record was not on file for 1 adult who had resided outside the jurisdiction for a period of longer than 6 consecutive months while over the age of 18 years.

Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

Corrective and Preventive Action

(2)
(d) In the written response, the registered provider recorded that the adult has applied for the required police vetting record.

Supporting documentation submitted

Proof of the application for the police vetting record and acknowledged receipt was forwarded to the early years inspector.

Summary Comment

Evidence of an application for international police vetting was reviewed; however, a copy of the completed International Police vetting has not been submitted for the one staff member to the inspector to date. The registered provider is required to furnish the required documentation to the Inspectorate upon receipt. The noncompliance in relation to regulation 9(2)(d) remains out outstanding.

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Part III – Management and Staff

Regulation 11 - Staffing levels

(1) Subject to this Regulation, a registered provider shall ensure that there is at all times an adequate number of adults working directly with the children attending the pre-school service.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (5), a registered provider of a full day care service or a part-time day care service shall ensure that at all times the minimum ratio of adults to children specified in column (3) of Part 1 of Schedule 6 opposite a particular reference number specified in column (1) of that Part in respect of the age range of the children specified in column (2) thereof at that reference number is satisfied.

Compliance Information

(1)
The person in charge ensured that there were an adequate number of adults working directly with the children in the Naíonra on day of the inspection.

(2)
During the period of inspection, the ratio of staff to children was maintained as per the regulations and an adequate number of adults were working directly with the children.

There were 18 children present in the morning sessional service and 2 children attending the part time service with 3 adults in attendance on day of inspection. The adult child ratio was correct.

Part IV – Information and Records

Regulation 15 – Record of pre-school child

(1) A registered provider of a pre-school service other than a pre-school service in a drop-in centre or a temporary pre-school service shall ensure that a record in writing is kept in respect of each pre-school child attending the service containing the following particulars:

- (a) the name and date of birth of the child;*
- (b) the date on which the child first attended the service;*
- (c) the date on which the child ceased to attend the service;*
- (d) the name and address of a parent or guardian of the child and a telephone number where that parent or guardian or a relative or friend of the child can be contacted during the hours of operation of the service;*
- (e) authorisation for the collection of the child;*

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- (f) details of any illness, disability, allergy or special need of the child, together with all the information relevant to the provision of special care or attention;*
- (g) the name and telephone number of the child's registered medical practitioner;*
- (h) record of immunisations, if any, received by the child;*
- (i) written parental consent for appropriate medical treatment of the child in the event of an emergency.*

Compliance Information

(1)(a) to (i)

A sample of 12 of the children's registration forms were reviewed and all were found to contain all of the elements of information as required by Regulation 15 (1) (a) to (i) inclusive.

Part IV – Information and Records

Regulation 16 – Record in relation to pre-school service

(1) A registered provider shall ensure that a record in writing is kept of the following information in relation to the service:

- (h) details of attendance by each pre-school child on a daily basis;*
- (i) details of staff rosters on a daily basis;*
- (k) details of any accident, injury or incident involving a pre-school child attending the service.*

Compliance Information

(1)

(h) A written record of the attendance of each child on a daily basis that included the arrival and departure time from the service was recorded and maintained in the service. A separate attendance record of each child attending the part time was recorded and maintained

(i) A weekly staff roster was maintained in the service. The staff roster indicated the names of the staff in attendance each day, the arrival and departure times.

(k) There was a hard copy Accident and Incident record book in the service. The Accident and Incident template included once signed, a duplicate copy of each accident and incident record for the parent /guardian.

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Part V - Care of Child in Pre-school Service

Regulation 19 - Health, welfare and development of child

(1) A registered provider shall, in providing a pre-school service, ensure that-

(a) each child's learning, development and well-being is facilitated within the daily life of the pre-school service through the provision of the appropriate activities, interaction, materials and equipment, having regard to the age and stage of development of the child, and

Compliance Information

Basic Needs

- The service promoted healthy eating and the food provided by the parents and guardians for the mid-morning snack was observed to be healthy and nutritious.
- The mid-morning meal was observed to be a social occasion, as the children chatted freely in a relaxed environment. The staff offered appropriate assistance for example assisting with the opening of cartons as required and encouraging the disposal of rubbish in the correct bin.
- During observed tabletop activities, the children were supported and encouraged by the staff, who acknowledged their efforts and achievements.
- Toileting was gently supervised by staff members and were observed to assist where required each of the children when hand washing and hand drying. The children were supported and encouraged prior to eating, after messy play and toileting.
- Staff were observed to interact in a caring manner with the children building their confidence and communication skills within the setting. Staff helped children to recognise and understand the rules for being together in a group as observed on day of inspection during a large group activity when staff were asking each of the children in turn in Irish what they were did over the weekend.
- Unfortunately, due to the inclement weather the children were not able to play outdoors on day of inspection. Instead, staff were observed explaining the rules of group games to the children that were played indoors for example musical chairs and dancing and gross motor movement to Irish music.

Physical and Material Environment

- The playroom was airy and bright with openable windows to allow for natural ventilation and light. The walls of the service were fresh and clean as the service had been painted since the last inspection.
- The spacious care room afforded children the ability to move freely, as they participated in various activities, such as colouring and drawing, imaginary play and tabletop activities.

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- The playroom had open shelving to display the wide range of play materials and equipment in an accessible way to the children.
- There were multiple tabletop activities to encourage fine motor skill play such as jigsaws, threading and different sized construction bricks, painting and colouring.
- Imaginative and pretend play activities included home corner and different dress up outfits that were each on a hanger to allow the children to practice imaginative play in a sociable way with their friends.
- The playroom was furnished in one corner with low couches, matting and a wide selection of books for the children's comfort. The room was furnished with sufficient child sized tables and chairs.
- There was a designated secure, outdoor play area provided for the service located within the GAA grounds.

Part V - Care of Child in Pre-school Service

Regulation 22 – Food and drink

A registered provider shall ensure that adequate and suitable, nutritious and varied food and drink is available for each pre-school child attending the pre-school service.

Compliance Information

- The children's parents and guardians provided all food items and the children had access to their own water bottle throughout the session.
- Lunches were stored in snack boxes and stored in the service fridge.
- Healthy, nutritious lunches were observed being eaten at the mid-morning snack such as sandwiches, rolls wraps, meat and cheese sandwiches, yogurts, dips and cheese biscuits and a selection of fruits and chopped and diced vegetables.

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Part VI - Safety

Regulation 23 - Safeguarding health, safety and welfare of child

A registered provider shall ensure that all reasonable measures are taken to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of a pre-school child attending the service and that the environment of the service is safe.

Compliance Information

General Safety:

- On the inspector's arrival at the service, the entrance door was found to have been secured and was maintained secure when not in use.
- There were no cleaning agents accessible to the children.
- The first aid box was appropriately stored and inaccessible to children.
- Water temperatures at the wash hand basins were thermostatically controlled, so as not to exceed 43°C. Recorded water temperatures in the wash hand basins in the children's toilets were 29°C on day of inspection.
- Openable windows were not accessible to the children in the Naíonra and children's toilet area as they were at adult height.
- Emergency fire exit doors were unobstructed.

Infection Control:

- Suitable handwashing facilities was available in the toilet facilities. Warm water, liquid soap and paper towels were in place. There are two children's toilets and one designated staff toilet. They were clean and well maintained with toilet tissue, clean step ups and toilet seats available for the children's comfort.
- Handwashing by the children was observed before mid-morning snack, after messy play and toileting.
- Personal waste including used tissues and all cleaning waste was appropriately disposed of in foot operated pedal bins in the service.
- The premises was maintained in a clean and hygienic condition and corresponding cleaning records were available. Tables were observed to be sanitised before and after snack time.
- Children's coats and bags were stored on child height hooks in the entrance area of the premise so as to encourage independent dressing.

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Regulation 25 - First aid

(1) A registered provider shall ensure that a person trained in first aid for children is, at all times, immediately available to the children attending the pre-school service.

(2) A registered provider shall ensure that a suitably equipped first aid box for children-

(a) is safely stored in an easily accessible and conspicuous position on the premises, and

(b) is available to the children attending the pre-school service at all times.

Compliance Information

(1) The registered provider ensured that there were staff available at all times with appropriate first aid responder (FAR) training. The FAR certification on file indicated that the staff members and the third level student held current up to date training certificates.

(2)

(a) The first aid box was stored out of children's reach in the service. The first aid box were stored in an easily accessible and conspicuous position on the premises

(b) The fully equipped first aid box was available at all times to adults if in the event that a child may require treatment.

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Part VI - Safety

Regulation 26 - Fire safety measures

- (1) A registered provider shall ensure that a record in writing is kept of-*
- (a) any fire drill that takes place in the premises, and*
 - (b) the number, type and maintenance record of fire fighting equipment and smoke alarms in the premises.*
- (4) A notice of the procedures to be followed in the event of fire shall be displayed in a conspicuous position in the premises.*

Compliance Information

- (1)
- (a) A record of monthly fire drills carried out was available and indicated that the last fire drill took place on the day of inspection 28 January 2026.
 - (b) A record of the number, type and maintenance record of firefighting equipment was maintained. It was recorded that the fire equipment was last serviced on the 17 September 2025 and the emergency fire alarm system was last tested and serviced on the 11 September 2025.
- (4)
- The fire evacuation procedure for the service which contained details in relation to the procedure to be followed in the event of a fire was displayed in the service.

Part VI - Safety

Regulation 28 - Insurance

A registered provider shall ensure that the pre-school service is adequately insured.

Compliance Information

The registered provider ensured the service was adequately insured, with insurance for 22 children until 27 November 2026. The records detailed the category of service covered which was Naíonra and that included part time service. The name and address of the premises and details regarding public liability cover, fire, theft, buildings, and outings cover.