

Tuarascáil Rialála na Cigireachta Luathbhlianta Réamhscoil

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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

Tá Naiscoil Chloch Na gCoillte cláraithe chun freastal ar uasmhéid de 22 leanbh idir 2 agus 6 bliana d'aois. Tráth na cigireachta, bhí an tseirbhís ag freastal ar leanaí ó 2 bhliain, 8 mí go 6 bliana d'aois, ag tairiscint rogha seirbhíse páirtaimseartha agus seisiúnach, lena n-áirítear na leanaí a bhí páirteach sa scéim Cúraim agus Oideachais Luath-Óige. Is iad na huairéanta oscailte laethúla cláraithe ná 08:45 go 13:45 uair gach lá Luan go hAoine. Feidhmíonn an tseirbhís ó fhoirgneamh réamhdhéanta scoite aonstórach ar thalamh Ghaelscoil Mhichíl Uí Choileáin. Tá cóiríocht sláintíochta leordhóthanach ann do leanaí agus tá rochtain ag an bhfoireann ar cheann de na leithris foirne sa Ghaelscoil in aice láimhe. Tá limistéar súgartha lasmuigh ainmnithe in aice leis an láthair laistigh de thalamh na Gaelscoile.

Soláthar Foirne

Bhí 5 duine bainteach leis an tseirbhís, lena n-áirítear an soláthraí cláraithe ainmnithe atá bunaithe ar an tseirbhís. Bhí dalta idirbhliana ón meánscoil áitiúil ar shocrúchán ar feadh seachtaine amháin. Ceapadh duine den 4 bhall foirne chun laethanta saoire agus saoire bhreiteachta na foirne a chlúdach. Tá cáilíocht aitheanta i gCúram agus Oideachas na Luath-Óige ag an bhfoireann a oibríonn go díreach leis na leanaí luathbhlianta.

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 cláraithe sábháilteacht agus folláine leanaí a chinntiú agus na rialacháin sin a chomhlíonadh. Tugann an Achta seo an t-údarás do Tusla measúnú a dhéanamh ar chomhlíonadh na rialachán. Is é cuspóir na rialála maidir le seirbhísí luathbhlianta ná a chinntiú go gcloítear le cúram, sábháilteacht agus folláine na leanaí a fheastalaíonn ar na seirbhísí sin. Déantar cigireachtaí ar sheirbhísí luathbhlianta a phleanáil bunaithe ar an méid seo a leanas:

- Stair na cigireachta roimhe seo
- 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 díriodh 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 shainithnítear ceanglais reachtúla nach bhfuil á gcomhlíonadh, ní mór don soláthraí cláraithe a léiriú conas a cheartaigh sé an neamhchomhlíonadh agus cuirfidh sé cosc ar aon neamhchomhlíonadh tarlú arís. Úsáidfear an Plean um Ghníomh Ceartaitheach agus um Ghníomh Coisctheach (CAPA) chun bonn eolais a chur faoi chinntí maidir le comhlíonadh na gceanglas rialála. Sa chás go dteipeann ar an soláthraí cláraithe na ceanglais reachtúla a chomhlíonadh, féadfar tús a chur le próiseas maidir le géarú.

Forchoimeádann 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 dlíthiúil.

Is é an comhlacht cigireachta a thiomsaíonn ábhar na tuarascála.

Buíochas

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

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 sainithnítear na línte údaráis agus cuntasachta sa tseirbhís, agus róil agus freagrachtaí sonracha gach fostaí agus oibrí neamhíoctha freisin.

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(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 fhostóirí air nó uirthi 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 is 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 mórdhámhachtaí 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 ar fáil chun teacht ina ioand de réir mar is gá.

(b) Bhí an duine i gceannas agus an ionadaí i láthair san áitreabh lá na cigireachta.

(c) Bhí struchtúr bainistíochta soiléir i bhfeidhm sa tseirbhís.

(2) Rinneadh measúnú ar dhoiciméid i ndáil le ceanglais Rialachán 9 do 5 dhuine, 4 dhuine fásta agus 1 mhac léinn idirbhliana a raibh baint acu leis an tseirbhís. Bhí na taifid seo a leanas ar fáil:

(a) As na 10 dtagairt riachtanacha, tháinig 5 theistiméireacht ó fhostóirí san am a caitheadh agus bhí na taifid ar an mbailíochtú riachtanach ar comhad.

(b) As na teistiméireachtaí eile, tháinig 5 theistiméireacht ó fhoinsí eile seachas fostóirí san am a caitheadh agus bhí bailíochtú riachtanach ar chomhad.

(c) Bhí nochtadh grinnfhiosrúcháin an Gharda Síochána ar fáil ar comhad maidir leis an gcúigear aosach. Ní raibh taifead grinnscrúdaithe Garda ag teastáil don mhac léinn idirbhliana mar go raibh sí faoi bhun 18 mbliana d'aois. 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 taifid grinnscrúdaithe na bpóilíní ar fáil ar chomhad don bheirt bhall foirne a raibh cónaí orthu lasmuigh den dlíne ar feadh tréimhse níos faide ná 6 mhí as a chéile.

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(4)

Bhí fianaise ann gur bhain na 4 bhall foirne dámhachtain mhór amach i gCúram agus Oideachas Luath-Óige ar an gCreat Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí, nó cáilíocht a measadh a bheith coibhéiseach.

Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

Rialachán 11 - Soláthar 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.

(3) Faoi réir mhír (5), cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse réamhscoile seisiúnach go gcomhlíonfar gach tráth an cóimheas íosta idir daoine fásta agus leanaí a shonraítear i gcolún (3) de Chuid 2 de Sceideal 6 os coinne uimhir thagartha áirithe a shonraítear i gcolún (1) den Chuid sin i leith raon aoise na leanaí a shonraítear i gcolún (2) dá bhrí sin ag an uimhir thagartha sin.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

(1)

Chinntigh an duine i gceannas go raibh líon imleor daoine fásta ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí sa seomra Naíonra lá na cigireachta.

(3)

Le linn na tréimhse cigireachta, coinníodh an cóimheas foirne le páistí de réir na rialachán agus bhí líon leordhóthanach daoine fásta ag obair go díreach leis na páistí.

Bhí 19 bpáiste i láthair sa tseirbhís sheisiúnach ar maidin agus bhí 3 duine fásta agus 1 dalta idirbhliana i láthair.

Bhí 17 de na 19 bpáiste ag freastal ar an tseirbhís pháirtaimseartha agus bhí 3 duine fásta i láthair i gcónaí. Bhí an cóimheas idir leanaí agus daoine fásta ceart.

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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;

(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) Rinneadh taifead scríofa ar fhreastal gach linbh ar bhonn laethúil lena n-áirítear an t-am teachta agus imeachta ón tseirbhís a thairféadadh agus a chothabháil sa tseirbhís.
- (k) Bhí cóip chrua de leabhar taifead Timpiste agus Teagmhais 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.

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 shneaeceanna lár na maidine sláintiúil agus cothaitheach.
- Breathnaíodh gur ócáid shóisialta a bhí in am sneaeceanna, agus na páistí ag comhrá go saor i dtimpeallacht suaimhneach. Shuigh ball foirne amháin ag gach bord agus thairg sé cúnamh cuí mar shampla cabhrú le hoscailt cartán de réir mar a bhí gá leis.
- Stóráladh cótaí agus málaí na bpáistí ar crúcaí airde leanaí sa seomra súgartha chun gléasadh neamhspleách a spreagadh.

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- Breathnaíodh go raibh an gnáthamh laethúil faoi stiúir na ndaoine fásta agus na bpáistí araon, den chuid is mó faoi stiúir na bpáistí tar éis lóin áit a raibh an rogha ag na páistí imirt laistigh nó lasmuigh faoi mhaoirseacht dhlúth na foirne.
- Breathnaíodh go raibh an fhoireann ag idirghníomhú ar bhealach comhbhách leis na leanaí ag cur lena muinín agus a scileanna cumarsáide laistigh den suíomh. Chuidigh an fhoireann leis na páistí comhroinnt agus obair le chéile a aithint agus a thuiscint mar ghrúpa mar a chonacthas lá na cigireachta nuair a bhí páistí páirteach i ngníomhaíochtaí éagsúla trí mheán na Gaeilge. I ngníomhaíocht ghrúpa mhóir, breathnaíodh na páistí ag éisteacht le fuaimrian ar an litir “M”. Ag cleachtadh fuaim na litreach “M” leis an bhfoireann agus ag rá focail a thosaíonn leis an litir “M”. Breathnaíodh na páistí ag fanacht lena seal agus ag roinnt an taithí. Chothaigh na gníomhaíochtaí muinín na bpáistí i bhforbairt teanga trí éisteacht, labhairt agus amhránaíocht a dhéanamh ar bhealaí éagsúla mar a breathnaíodh i rith an tseisiúin.
- 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. Spreag ball foirne spéis atá ag teacht chun cinn i leanbh amháin chun cleachtadh a dhéanamh ar litir agus uimhir áirithe a tharraingt. Bhí suim ag páistí eile sna dathanna éagsúla a chonaic siad ag soilsiú spéartha na hoíche le déanaí a tharraingt agus a dhathú.
- Dúirt an duine i gceannas go raibh an tseirbhís ag feidhmiú i gcomhpháirtíocht le tuismitheoirí, agus gur tugadh nuashonruithe agus faisnéis rialta do thuismitheoirí agus do chaomhnóirí trí chóras leictreonach na seirbhíse agus ag amanna titim agus bailiúcháin. Fuair na tuismitheoirí agus na caomhnóirí nuachtlitir sheachtainiúil faoi na topaicí agus na gníomhaíochtaí a clúdaíodh i rith na seachtaine leis na páistí. Tionóltar cruinnithe tuismitheoirí/múinteoirí faoi dhó i rith na bliana réamhscoile.

Timpeallacht Fhisiciúil agus Ábhartha

- Bhí an seomra súgartha aerúil agus geal le fuinneoga oscailte déthroo chun aeráil nádúrtha agus solas a cheadú.
- Thug an seomra cúraim fairsing deis do na páistí bogadh go saor, agus iad ag glacadh páirte i ngníomhaíochtaí éagsúla, amhail dathú agus líníocht, súgradh samhailteach, léamh leabhar agus gníomhaíochtaí boird.
- Bhí aonaid seilfeanna oscailte sa seomra súgartha chun na hábhair agus an trealamh súgartha a thaispeáint ar bhealach inrochtana do na páistí.
- Bhí an seomra súgartha feistithe i gcúinne amháin le tolg íseal, mataí agus rogha leabhar ar mhaithe le compord na bpáistí. Bhí dóthain boird agus cathaoireacha de mhéid leanaí sa seomra do líon na bpáistí a bhí i láthair.

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- Breathnaíodh ar na páistí ag imirt amuigh faoin aer nuair a tháinig an cigire ar an láthair lá na cigireachta agus arís bhí rogha ag na páistí imirt amuigh faoin aer arís tar éis am sneaiceanna meán maidine. Bhí an limistéar súgartha lasmuigh suite ar chúl agus ar thaobh an áitribh. Bhí seid adhmaid ann chun trealamh súgartha lasmuigh a stóráil nuair nach raibh sé in úsáid. Thug an dromchla crua deis do na páistí scileanna móra mótaí a chleachtadh ar na bréagáin iomadúla marcaíochta. Bhí mataí stuáilte faoin sleamhnán agus na barraí dreapadóireachta. Bhí boinn i láthair do na páistí chun cluichí cothromaíochta a chleachtadh. Bhí aonad gainimh ardaithe clúdaithe ann le trealamh súgartha tionlacain le haghaidh súgartha céadfach agus samhlaíoch.

Cuid V - Cúram Leanaí sa tSeirbhís Réamhscoile

Rialachán 22 – Bia agus deoch

Cinnteoídh 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 bpáistí na hearraí bia go léir ar fáil agus bhí buidéal uisce féin ag na páistí.
- Stóráladh earraí meatacha i málaí plaisteacha soiléire ainmnithe agus stóráladh iad sa chuisneoir seirbhíse.
- Breathnaíodh ar lóna sláintiúla, cothaitheacha á n-ithe ag an sneaiceanna meán maidine amhail ceapairí próitéine, rollaí agus fillteáin, iógart, picilí agus rogha torthaí mionghearrtha agus glasraí gearrtha ina chiúbanna.

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Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

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

Cinnteoídh 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.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

- Tá doras iontrála ar leith ag an tseirbhís a coinníodh slán nuair nach raibh sé in úsáid le linn an phróisis cigireachta.
- Bhí doras na hoifige daingnithe go hoiriúnach freisin chun cosc a chur ar na páistí rochtain a fháil uirthi gan mhaoirseacht.
- 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 níocháin rialaithe go teirmeastatach, ionas nach rachadh siad thar 43°C. Ba é 29°C teocht an uisce taifeadta sna báisíní níocháin i leithris na bpáistí lá na cigireachta.
- Ní raibh fuinneoga oscailte inrochtana ag na páistí sa seomra súgartha agus i limistéar leithris na bpáistí.

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

- Breathnaíodh ar úsáid leithris neamhspleách, níochán lámha agus caith amach tuáillí páipéir tar éis do na páistí a lámha a thriomú agus spreagadh é sin roimh ithe, tar éis úsáid leithris agus súgradh lasmuigh.
- Bhí áiseanna níocháin láimhe oiriúnacha ar fáil sna leithris. Bhí uisce te, gallúnach leachtach agus tuáillí páipéir ar fáil. Tá dhá leithreas do pháistí ann, agus bhí leithreas na foirne suite sa Ghaelscoil.
- Chonacthas na leanaí ag ní a lámha roimh shneaeceanna lár na maidine, tar éis dul i dtír ar an leithreas agus súgradh taobh amuigh.
- Bhí boscaí bruscair troitheán ann chun tuáillí páipéir a dhiúscairt.
- Breathnaíodh go raibh na boird á sláintiú roimh agus tar éis am sneaeceanna.

Codladh Slán:

- Bhí mataí boga stuáilte aonair ann le línéadach leapa aonair d'aon leanbh a raibh codladh de dhíth air agus é/í ag freastal ar an tseirbhís. Níor breathnaíodh ar aon leanbh a raibh codladh de dhíth air/uirthi ar lá na cigireachta.

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Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 25 - Garchabhair

(1) Cinnteoidh 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) Cinnteoidh 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. Léirigh an deimhniú FAR a bhí ar comhad go raibh oiliúint reatha cothrom le dáta ag ball foirne amháin.

(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 lántreathaithe ar fáil i gcónaí do dhaoine fásta dá mbeadh cóireáil ag teastáil ó leanbh.

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 26 - Bearta sábháilteachta dóiteáin

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

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

(b) líon, cineál agus taifead cothabhála an trealaimh 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 fáil de na cleachtaí dóiteáin míosúla a rinneadh agus léirigh sé gur tharla an cleachtadh dóiteáin deireanach ar an

15 Nollaig 2025.

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(b) Coinníodh taifeadh ar líon, cineál agus taifeadh cothabhála an trealamh mhúchta dóiteáin. Taifeadh gur ar an 21 Lúnasa 2025 a rinneadh an trealamh dóiteáin a sheirbhísiú go deireanach agus gur ar an 15 Eanáir a rinneadh tástáil agus seirbhísiú ar an gcóras aláraim dóiteáin éigeandála.

(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

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

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

Chinntigh an soláthraí cláraithe go raibh árachas leordhóthanach ag an tseirbhís, le hárachas d'uasmhéid de 22 leanbh go dtí 27/03/2026. Thug na taifid mionsonrú ar an gcatagóir seirbhíse a clúdaíodh mar chúram páirtaimseartha, ainm agus seoladh an áitribh agus sonraí maidir le clúdach dliteanais phoiblí, tine, gadaíocht, foirgnimh, agus clúdach turasanna.

Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Report

Pre School

TUSLA Identifier:	TU2015CC299
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Name of Service:	Naiscoil Chloch Na gCoillte
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Address of Service:	Bothar Fernhill, Cloch na gCoillte, Co. Cork
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Eircode:	P85 YV90
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Name of Registered Provider:	Fidelma Ni hUallachain
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Service type:	Part Time, Sessional
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Date(s) of Inspection:	27/01/2026
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No of pre-school children:	AM	19	PM	17
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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

Naiscoil Chloch Na gCoillte is registered to accommodate a maximum of 22 children aged from 2 to 6 years. At time of inspection the service was catering for children from 2 years 8 months to 6 years offering a choice of part time and sessional service including the children partaking in the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) scheme. Daily opening hours are from 08:45 to 13:45 hours each day Monday to Friday. The service operates from a prefabricated detached single storey building on the grounds of Gaelscoil Mhichíl Uí Choileáin. There is adequate children's sanitary accommodation and the staff have access to one of the staff toilets in the nearby Gaelscoil. There is a designated outdoor play area beside the premise within the grounds of the Gaelscoil.

Staffing

There were 5 persons associated with the service, this included the named registered provider who is service based. There was a transition year student from the local secondary school on placement for one week. One of the 4 staff was appointed to cover staff holiday and sick leave. The 4 staff who worked directly with the early years children all hold a recognised qualification in Early Childhood Care and Education.

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.

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 registered provider/ 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 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 5 persons, 4 adults and 1 transition year student associated with the service. The following records were available:

(a) Of the required 10 references, 5 references were from previous employers with records of validation on file.

(b) The remaining 5 references were from another source other than a previous employer with the required validation on file.

(c) A Garda vetting disclosure was available on file in respect of the 4 adults. A Garda vetting record was not required for the transition year student as she was under 18 years. The service also demonstrated compliance with the Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Notice requiring services to renew Garda vetting every three years.

(d) Police vetting records were available on file for the two staff members who had resided outside the jurisdiction for a period of longer than 6 consecutive months.

(4)

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

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.

(3) Subject to paragraph (5), a registered provider of a sessional pre-school service shall ensure that at all times the minimum ratio of adults to children specified in column (3) of Part 2 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) therefore 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 room on day of the inspection.

(3)
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 19 children present in the morning sessional service with 3 adults and 1 transition year student in attendance. There were 17 of the 19 children attending the part time service with 3 adults in attendance at all times. The adult child ratio was correct.

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.

(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.

(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.

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.
- Snack time was observed to be a social occasion, as the children chatted freely in a relaxed environment. One staff member sat at each table and offered appropriate assistance for example assisting with the opening of cartons as required.
- Children's coats and bags were stored on child height hooks in the playroom so as to encourage independent dressing
- The daily routine was observed to be both adult and child led, mainly child led after lunch where the children had the choice of playing indoors or outdoors under the close supervision of staff.

- 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 sharing and working together as a group as seen on day of inspection when children were involved in various activities through the medium of the Irish language. In a large group activity, the children were observed listening to an audio on the letter “M”. Practising the sound of the letter “M” with staff and stating words that start with the letter “M”. The children were observed waiting their turn and sharing the experience. The activities fostered the children’s confidence in language development through listening, speech and singing various songs as observed throughout the session.
- During observed tabletop activities, the children were supported and encouraged by the staff, who acknowledged their efforts and achievements. One child’s emerging interest was encouraged by a staff member to practise drawing a certain letter and a number. Other children were interested in drawing and colouring the various colours they had seen lighting the night skies recently.
- The person in charge stated the service operated in partnership with parents, regular updates and information were furnished to parents and guardians via the services electronic system and at drop off and collection times. The parents and guardians received a weekly newsletter of the topics and activities covered during the week with the children. Parent/ teacher meetings are held twice over the preschool year.

Physical and Material Environment

- The playroom was airy and bright with dual aspect openable windows to allow for natural ventilation and light.
- The spacious care room afforded children the ability to move freely, as they participated in various activities, such as colouring and drawing, imaginary play, book reading and tabletop activities.
- The playroom had open shelving units to display the play materials and equipment in an accessible way to the children.
- The playroom was furnished in one corner with low couches, matting and a selection of books for the children’s comfort. The room was furnished with sufficient child sized tables and chairs for the number of children in attendance.
- The children were observed playing outdoors when the inspector arrived on the premises on day of inspection and again the children had a choice of playing outdoors again after the mid-morning snack time. The outdoor play area was located to the rear and side of the premise. There was a wooden shed present to store outdoor play equipment when not in use. The hard surface area allowed the children to

practice gross motor skills on the numerous ride on toys. There were padded mats under the slide and climbing bars. Tyres were present for the children to practice balance games. There was a raised covered sand unit with accompanying play equipment for sensory and imaginative play.

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 their own water bottle.
- Perishable items were stored in clear named plastic bags and stored in the service fridge.
- Healthy, nutritious lunches were observed being eaten at the mid-morning snack such as protein sandwiches, rolls and wraps, yogurts, dips and a selection of chopped fruit and diced vegetables.

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:

- The service has their own entrance door which was maintained secure when not in use during the inspection process.
- The door to the office was also suitable secured to prevent the children accessing same unsupervised.
- 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 playroom and children’s toilet area.

Infection Control:

- Independent toileting, hand washing and discard of paper towels after the children drying their hands was observed and encouraged prior to eating, after toileting and outdoor play.
- Suitable handwashing facilities was available in the toilets. Warm water, liquid soap and paper towels were in place. There are two children's toilets, and the staff toilet was located in the Gaelscoil.
- Handwashing by the children was observed before mid-morning snack after toileting and outdoor play.
- Pedal operated bins were in place for the disposal of paper towels.
- Tables were observed to be sanitised before and after snack time.

Safe Sleep:

- There was individual soft padded mats with individual bed linen for any child that required a sleep while attending the service. No child was observed to require a sleep on day of inspection

Part VI - Safety

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 one staff member held current up to date training.

(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.

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 15 December 2025.
- (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 21 August 2025 and the emergency fire alarm system was last tested and serviced on the 15 January 2026.
- (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 a maximum of 22 children until 27/03/2026. The records detailed the category of service covered which was part time day care, the name and address of the premises and details regarding public liability cover, fire, theft, buildings, and outings cover.