

Tuarascáil Rialála Chigireacht na Luathbhlianta Réamhscoil

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Teideal :	Cigirí na Luathbhlianta		

Údarás chun cigireacht a dhéanamh

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

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Coinníollacha, má bhaineann le hábhar

N/A

Cur síos ar an tseirbhís

Tá an t-áitreabh lonnaithe in ionad pobail an Chairn Mhóir. Cuirtear seirbhís seisiúnach agus clár cúraim agus Oideachais na Luath-Óige (ECCE) ar fáil. Freastalaíonn an réamhscoil phobail seo ar pháistí idir 2 bhliain agus 8 mí agus 6 bliana d'aois ó Luan go hAoine idir 9.00r.n agus 12.00i.n ar feadh 38 seachtain den bhliain. Cuirtear an tseirbhís ar fáil trí mheán na Gaeilge agus tá sí faoi smacht ag Chomhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta. Tá áit scithe ciúin ar fáil sa seomra súgartha do na páistí réamhscoile. Tá an réamhscoil ag feidhmiú ó phríomh sheomra amháin, agus úsáidtear an dara seomra chun trealamh agus ábhair súgartha a stóráil san fhoirgneamh pobail. Tá rochtain ag na páistí ar an halla laistigh, ar an cósan siúil, ar an bpáirc astro agus ar an bpáirc peile atá in aice leis an áitreabh le haghaidh súgartha agus gníomhaíochtaí lasmuigh. Cuireann an tseirbhís curaclam atá bunaithe ar shúgradh ar fáil agus díríonn siad go príomha ar spéiseanna na bpáistí ata ag teacht chun cinn.

Soláthar foirne

Níl an soláthraí cláraithe ar an áitreabh ar bhonn laethúil. Tá duine ainmnithe i gceannas agus duine ainmnithe ar féidir léi ionadaíocht a dhéanamh nuair is gá. Tá beirt bhall foirne ag obair san áitreabh faoi láthair agus tá duine faoisimh ar fáil más gá. Tá fianaise dhoiciméadach ag an bhfoireann atá ag obair go díreach leis na paistí ar Dhearbhú Cáilíochta agus Cáilíochtaí Éireann (QQI) ag Leibhéal 5 ar a laghad, i gCúram agus Oideachas na Luath-Óige. Tá fianaise dhoiciméadach ag an bhfoireann aosach ar oiliúint agus oideachas leanúnach.

Modheolaíocht

Is í Cigireacht na Luathbhlianta, Tusla, rialtóir reachtúil neamhspleách ar sheirbhísí luathbhlianta in Éirinn. Sainmhínítear i Rialacháin an Achta um Chúram Leanaí 1991 (Seirbhísí Luathbhlianta) 2016 dualgas an tsoláthraí chláraithe sábháilteacht agus folláine leanaí a chinntiú agus cloí leis na riachtanais seo. Tugann an tAcht seo údarás do Tusla measúnú a dhéanamh ar chomhlíonadh leis na rialacháin. Is é is aidhm le rialáil maidir le seirbhísí óige ná a chinntiú go seastar le cúram, sábháilteacht, agus folláine na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar na seirbhísí seo.

Pleanáiltear cigireachtaí ar sheirbhísí luathbhlianta bunaithe ar na pointí seo a leanas:

- Stair chigireachta na seirbhíse
- Eolas ar bith a fhaightear maidir leis an tseirbhís
- Tá torthaí na cigireachta bunaithe ar:
 - Eolas a fhaightear trí dhoiciméid a imscrúdú
 - Breathnú díreach

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- Plé le baill foirne ábhartha

Ba chigireacht fógartha é seo, agus díriodh ar rialachas, sláinte, folláine agus forbairt an linbh, sábháilteacht, áitreabh agus saoráidí lena linn. Féadfaidh cigireacht díriú ar réimsí eile chomh maith, de réir mar is gá.

Dhírigh an chigireacht ar scrúdú comhlíonadh faoi rialacháin 9, 11 agus 19, 25, 26 agus 28; mar sin féin, le linn an chigireacht sainithníodh neamhchomhlíonadh breise a raibh riosca ag baint leis faoi Rialachán 29. Leagtar amach na torthaí sin laistigh den rialachán ábhartha laistigh den tuarascáil seo.

Leagtar amach torthaí na cigireachta sa tuarascáil maidir leis an gcigireacht a eisítear mar dhréacht-tuarascáil ar dtús chuig an tseirbhís, agus bíonn deis ag an tseirbhís freagra a thabhairt ar thorthaí ar bith a luaitear inti. I gcás go sainithnítear nach bhfuil ceanglais reachtúla á gcomhlíonadh, ní mór don soláthraí cláraithe léiriú a thabhairt ar an mbealach a réitíodh an neamhchomhlíonadh agus mar a chuirfear cosc ar an neamhchomhlíonadh amach anseo. Úsáidfean an plean um Ghníomh Ceartaitheach agus Gníomh Coisctheach (CAPA) chun bonn eolais a chur le cinntí maidir le comhlíonadh le ceanglais rialála. I gcás nach n-éiríonn leis an soláthraí cláraithe na ceanglais reachtúla a chomhlíonadh, féadfar próiseas géaraithe a thosú.

Forchoimeádann an Chigireacht an ceart chun eagarthóireacht a dhéanamh ar fhreagraí a fhaightear ar chúiseanna éagsúla lena n-áirítear soiléireacht; iomláine; agus chun próisis riaracháin agus dlíthiúla a chomhlíonadh.

Is í an Chigireacht a thiomsaíonn ábhar na tuarascála.

Buíochas

Is mian leis na cigirí buíochas a ghabháil leis an duine a bhí i gceannas, leis an duine breise agus leis na leanaí a bhí i láthair ar lá na cigireachta as a gcomhoibriú ar fad.

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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,

(b) 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

(2) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe gur duine oiriúnach inniúil gach fostaí, gach oibrí nach n-íoctar agus gach conraitheoir, agus cineál na riachtanas a bhíonn ar leanaí á chur san áireamh, lena n-áirítear trí na nithe seo a leanas a dhéanamh-

(a) breithniú ar theistiméireacht 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 ar an duine i stát seachas an Stát ar feadh tréimhse ab fhaide ná 6 mhí as a chéile, grinnfhiosrúchán ag póilíní 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) Go raibh duine ainmnithe i gceannas agus an dara duine a d'fhéadfadh ionadaíocht a dhéanamh dá mba ghá agus nuair ba ghá.

(b) Tar éis athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar an uainchlár, ba léir go raibh an duine ainmnithe a bhí i gceannas agus an leas-duine i gceannas ar fáil do na leanaí réamhscoile ar an láthair le linn feidhmiú na seirbhíse seisiúnach.

Déanadh athbhreithniú ar thrí chomhad foirne.

Déanadh athbhreithniú ar comhaid don bheirt daoine fásta a fostaíodh chun oibriú go díreach leis na leanaí réamhscoile agus don duine a thugann faoisimh doibh nuair atá gá.

- (2)
- (a) Bhí theistiméireachtaí bailíochtaíthe scríofa ar fáil ó fhostóirí roimhe seo do bheirt aosach a bhí fostaithe sa tseirbhís.
- (b) Bhí dhá thagairt ó fhoinsé eile ar fáil do dhuine fásta amháin freisin.
- (c) Fuarthas nochtadh grinnfhiosrúcháin an Gharda Síochána don triúr aosach. Léirigh an tseirbhís freisin comhlíonadh an Fhógra Rialála Cigireachta Luathbhlianta a éilíonn ar sheirbhísí grinnfhiosrúcháin an Gharda Síochána a athnuachán gach trí bliana.
- (d) Ní raibh gá le grinnfhiosrúcháin na bpóilíní don triúr daoine fásta a bhí ag obair sa tseirbhís.

(4) Bhí fianaise ann go raibh mórdhámhachtain ar a laghad bainte amach ag beirt bhaill foirne i gCúram agus Oideachas na Luath-Óige ag Leibhéal 5 ar an gCreat Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí.

Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

Rialachán 11 - Leibhéal Foirne

(1) Faoi réir an Rialacháin seo, cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh gach tráth líon leordhóthanach de dhaoine fásta ag obair go díreach leis na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

(3) Faoi réir mhír (5), cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse réamhscoile seisiúnaí 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 uimhir thagartha 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.

(8)(c) cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe seirbhíse réamhscoile seisiúnaí, i gcás go bhfuil an tseirbhís á hoibriú ag an duine i bhfeighil ina aonar nó ina haonar, go mbeidh an dara duine, atá eolach ar seirbhíse agus i riocht cúnamh a thabhairt don duine i bhfeighil chun an tseirbhís a oibriú, i gcóngar gairid don tseirbhís agus ar fáil chun freastal ar an tseirbhís i gcónaí d'fhonn cúnamh a thabhairt don duine i bhfeighil i gcás éigeandála.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh:

- (1)
Bhí dóthain daoine fásta ag obair go díreach leis na páistí a bhí ag freastal ar an tseirbhís. Bhí beirt daoine fásta ag obair go díreach le dhá pháiste déag le linn na seirbhíse seisiúnach.
- (3)
Chinntigh an soláthraí cláraithe gur coinníodh an cóimheas íosta idir daoine fásta agus leanaí i gcónaí. Maidin na cigireachta, bhí beirt daoine fásta ag obair go díreach agus ag tabhairt aire do dhá pháiste déag réamhscoile.
- Bhí gach páiste os cionn 3 bliana d'aois go 5 bliana d'aois.
- (8)(c)
Chinntigh an soláthraí cláraithe go raibh beirt aosach ar an áitreabh fad is a bhí an réamhscoil ag feidhmiú.

Cuid V - Cúram Linbh i Seirbhís Réamhscoile

Rialachán 19 - Sláinte, leas agus forbairt linbh

(1) *Cinnteach soláthraí cláraithe, le linn dó nó di a bheith ag soláthar seirbhís réamhscoile—*

(a) go ndéanfar foghlaim, forbairt agus leas gach linbh a urasú laistigh de shaol laethúil na seirbhíse réamhscoile trí na gníomhaíochtaí cuí, an idirghníomhaíocht chuí, na hábhair chuí agus an trealamh cuí a sholáthar, ag féachaint d'aois agus do chéim forbartha an linbh, agus

(b) go mbeidh cleachtais chúraim chuí oiriúnacha ar bun sa tseirbhís réamhscoile, ag féachaint don líon leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís agus do chineál a riachtanas.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh:

(1) (a) & (b)

Riachtanais Bhunúsacha

- Cuireadh bia sláintiúil chun cinn laistigh den tseirbhís. Bhí an bia ag breathnú sláintiúil agus cothaitheach. Bhí na páistí ag ithe rogha cácaí torthaí agus ríse a chuir an reamhscoil ar fáil ag thart ar 10 r.i. Is éard a bhí sna sneiceanna a chuir tuismitheoirí agus caomhnóirí ar fáil ná rogha ceapairí, arán donn, cáis, liamhás, íógart craicear agus píosaí torthaí. Ag thart ar 10.45 r.i shuigh na páistí agus an fhoireann le chéile an t-achar a bhí na páistí ag ithe.

- Bhí uisce ar sheif do pháistí chun 'féinfhrestail' a dhéanamh agus teacht ar a mbuidéil agus a ndeochanna le linn an tseisiúin.
- Bhí na páistí le feiceál ag baint taitnimh as am sneaiceanna le chéile. Tugadh neart ama do na páistí taitneamh a bhaint as a gcuid sneaiceanna i dtimpeallacht shuaimhneach, gan aon brú na deifir.
- Spreagadh agus tugadh tacaíocht do leanaí chun a gcúram pearsanta féin a bhainistiú ar bhealach oiriúnach dá leibhéal neamhspleáchais féin. Cuireadh oiliúint leithris ar na páistí ar fad agus chuaigh siad ag an leithris go neamhspleách le maoirseacht nó le cúnaimh éigin de réir mar ba ghá.
- Rinne an fhoireann maoirseacht ar níochán lámh na bpáistí roimh am sneaiceanna, tar éis a bheith ag an leithris, tar éis dóibh a srón a shéideadh agus tar éis dóibh a bheith ag súgradh taobh amuigh.
- Bhí neart deiseanna ag na páistí bogadh thart agus saor imirt ina dtimpeallacht laistigh agus lasmuigh. Bhí deis ag na páistí imirt sa halla faoi dhíon agus taobh amuigh ar an bpáirc peile. Bhí na páistí seo gléasta go cuí le hataí agus cótaí agus iad ag spraoi taobh amuigh.

TACÚ LE CAIDRIMH TIMPEALL ar LEANAÍ

- Bhí córas lárnach i bhfeidhm do gach páiste chun tacú lena bhforbairt agus chun bonn eolais a chur faoi phleanáil an churaclaim. Ba é ról an phríomh dhuine ná idirchaidreamh a dhéanamh le tuismitheoirí agus caomhnóirí freisin.
- Chuir an tseirbhís eolas laethúil ar fáil do thuismitheoirí ó bhéal maidir le heispéiris a linbh sa réamhscoil, lena n-áirítear leithéidí, spéiseanna agus roghanna an linbh agus gníomhaíochtaí súgartha a bhíonn ar siúl. Cuireadh an t-eolas seo ar fáil ag amanna bailithe agus fágála ar glaonna gutháin. Tugann an tseirbhís cuireadh do thuismitheoirí agus caomhnóirí chuig cruinnithe gach ceathrú bliana chun foghlaim agus forbairt gach páiste a phlé agus tuairimí na ball foirne.
- Coinníonn an naíonra dialann foghlama do gach páiste atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís. Coinníonn an iris seo saothar ealaíne na bpáistí, grianghraif, breathnóireachtaí foirne agus téamaí a aithint a raibh na páistí páirteach iontu go dtí seo, ar nós torthaí a phiocadh, subh a déanadh, péinteáil le torthaí, an gheimhridh agus go leor samplaí eile.
- D'úsáid an fhoireann ábhair éagsúla a bhí oiriúnach d'aois, áiseanna amhairc, amhráin agus rannta éagsúla chun cabhrú leis na páistí foghlaim.
- Rinne an fhoireann idirghníomhú ar bhealach dearfach leis na páistí m.sh., shuigh siad ag leibhéal na bpáistí, choinnigh siad teagmháil mhaith súl, léirigh siad omós agus tuiscint mhaith ar gach leanbh.

- Bhí an fhoireann le feicéal ag cabhrú le páistí teacht ar réiteacht, ag tacú leo agus ag caint leis na leanaí ar bhealaí éagsúla, agus ag cur tús le cluichí agus gníomhaíochtaí le chéile.
- Bhí an clár cúraim solúbtha agus treoraithe ag roghanna agus speiseanna na bpáistí. Sa seomra súgartha, thóg na páistí páirt i saor imirt, gníomhaíochtaí boird agus rinne gach páiste Crois Bríde agus phléigh siad an stair taobh thiar de Naomh Bríd. Bhí na páistí le feicéal ag imirt sa halla pobail agus iad ag rith, ag léim agus ag imirt cluichí aicsin agus achlaíochta.
- Tugadh faoi deara iad ag imirt i gceantar taobh amuigh ar an bpáirc peile. D'imir an fhoireann agus na páistí cluichí tráchta, bhí siad ag rith, léim siad agus d'imir siad lena chéile. Thug an fhoireann tralaí lán le liathróidí, raicéid, ribíní agus meascán de threalamh súgartha lasmuigh do na páistí chun súgradh leo.

TIMPEALLACHT FHSICIÚIL AGUS ÁBHARTHA:

- Thug leagan amach an tseomra súgartha deis don fhoireann maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar na páistí agus iad ag bogadh thart sna réimsí spéise éagsúla.
- Stóráladh an trealamh ar sheilfeanna ar leibhéal íseal agus bhí sé inrochtana ag na páistí réamhscoile. Bhí an trealamh agus na hábhair súgartha oiriúnach ó thaobh aoise agus stáitse de agus cuireadh ar fáil iad, gníomhaíochtaí súgartha samhlaíoch, súgradh réchúiseach, ealaíona agus ceardaíocht, gníomhaíochtaí chun comhordú súl láimhe a spreagadh, scileanna mínluaile agus smaointeoireacht loighciúil a fhorbairt.
- Cuireadh táblaí agus cathaoireacha oiriúnacha ar fáil sa seomra súgartha do na páistí réamhscoile.
- Taispeánadh áiseanna amhairc, léarscáileanna, póstaeir, téamaí agus saothar ealaíne na pháistí ag leibhéal íseal chun go bhféachfadh na leanaí orthu. I measc na dtaispeántas bhí ár gcrann teaghlaigh, mothúcháin, taispeántas Geimhridh agus mo bhaill choirp gan ach cúpla ceann a lua.

LIMISTÉAR SÚGARTHA LASMUIGH:

- Bhain na páistí úsáid as an pháirc peile, as an cósan síúil agus as páirc astro.
- Bhí trealamh súgartha breise i limistéar stórála slán taobh amuigh. Thug an fhoireann le fios go n airítear an trealamh ar bhonn séasúrach.

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 23 - Sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas linbh a chosaint

Cinntoidh soláthraí cláraithe go ndéanfar gach beart réasúnach chun sláinte, sábháilteacht agus leas linbh réamhscoile a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís a chosaint agus cinntoidh sé nó sí go mbeidh timpeallacht na seirbhíse sábháilte.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh:

Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

- Bhí córas slán i bhfeidhm ag an bpríomhdhoras iontrála chun monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar theacht isteach agus imeacht sábháilte na leanaí chuig agus ón áis cúraim leanaí.
- Rinneadh maoirseacht ar na páistí agus iad ag imirt ar an bpáirc peile lasmuigh agus le linn am súgartha sa halla pobail.
- Fuarthas na limistéir lasmuigh le fálú agus geataí, chomh maith leis sin rinne an fhoireann maoirseacht ar na páistí chun na leanaí laistigh a chosaint.
- Stóráileadh gníomhairí cógais agus glantacháin i gceantar daingnithe lasmuigh de na leanaí.
- Taifeadh teocht an tseomra súgartha idir an teocht mholta 18- 22 °C.

Rialú Ionfhabhtuithe:

Bhí na bearta seo a leanas déanta ag an tseirbhís chun sláinte, leas agus sábháilteacht leanaí a bhí ag freastal orthu a chosaint:

- Tugadh leideanna agus maoirsiú do na páistí a lámha a ní sula n-itheann siad, tar éis leithris agus súgradh míshlachtmhar agus tar eis a bheith ag spraoi taobh amuigh.
- Bhí gallúnach leachtach agus tuáillí páipéir sa limistéar sláintíochta a d'úsáid na páistí chun a gcuid lámha a thriomiú go héascú.
- Bhí boscaí bruscair le claibíní sa limistéar sláintíochta, rud a chinntigh nach raibh teacht ag na páistí réamhscoile ar an ábhar a bhí taobh istigh doibh.
- Bhí an t-uisce á rialú go teirmeastúil gan dul thar 43°C chun níochán lámh sláinteachais a éascú do na páistí réamhscoile.
- Bhí sceideal glantacháin laethúil agus seachtainiúil ann.

Dáileadh Cógas: Cliceáil nó tapáil anseo chun téacs a chur isteach.

- Bhí cógas ílithe teochta ar fáil i bpreas slán nach raibh teacht ag na páistí réamhscoile air.

Coladh Sábháilte:

- Bhí cúinne ciúin le tolg agus cúisíní ar mhéid an pháiste ina bhféadfadh páistí scíth a ligean nó scíth a thógail le linn sheisiún na maidine má roghnaíonn siad.

Sábháilteacht Dóiteáin:

- Rinne an tseirbhís druileanna dóiteain míosúla agus bhí taifid ar fáil. Déanadh an dril dóiteain deireanach a thaifeada ar an 20/01/2025

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 25 - Garchabhair

(1) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh duine atá oile ar gharchabhair do leanaí ar fáil láithreach i gcónaí do na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoil.

(2) Cinnteoidh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh bosca garchabhrach do leanaí a bhfuil an trealamh cuí ann—

(a) stóráilte go sábháilte in áit fheiceálach san áitreabh ar féidir teacht air gan dua, agus

(b) ar fáil i gcónaí do na leanaí a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh:

- (1)
Chuir an tseirbhís fianaise ar fáil go raibh duine a oileadh i ngarchabhair do leanaí ar fáil do na leanaí a bhí ag freastal ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile. Bhí oiliúint reatha ag duine fásta amháin i bhfreagróir garchabhair (FAR)
- (2)
(a) Bhí an bosca garchabhrach inrochtana go héasca agus in áit fheiceálach ar an gcófra sa seomra súgartha.
(b) Léirigh an tseirbhís go raibh an bosca garchabhrach feistithe go hiomlán le míreanna dáta agus ar fáil do na leanaí a bhí ag freastal ar an tseirbhís réamhscoile.

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 26 - Bearta maidir le sábháilteacht ó dhóiteán

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

(a) ar aon druil dóiteáin a dhéantar san áitreabh, agus

(b) ar líon, cineál agus taifead cothabhála an trealaimh chun dóiteán a chomhrac agus na n-áláram deataigh san áitreabh.

(4) Déanfar fógra i dtaobh 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)

Coinníodh taifead i scríbhinn do na druileanna dóiteáin míosúla a déanadh. Rinneadh an druil dóiteáin mhíosúil dheireanach a dhátú ar 20/01/2025.

(b)

Coinníodh taifead ar líon, cineál agus cothabháil trealaimh comhraicthe dóiteáin leis an tseirbhís bhliantúil dheireanach dar dáta an 08/01/2025.

Bhí taifead ar fáil den cothabháil bhliantúil don chóras braite deataigh agus seirbhísí dóiteáin dar dáta 8/01/2025.

(4)

Bhí fógra faoi na nósanna imeachta a bhí le leanúint i gcás tine ar taispeáint go feiceálach sa réamhscoil seomra.

Tuarascáil Rialála Chigireacht na Luathbhlianta Réamhscoil

Cuid VI - Sábháilteacht

Rialachán 28 - Árachas

Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe go mbeidh an tseirbhís réamhscoile faoi árachas leordhóthanach.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh:

Bhí árachas leordhóthanach ar fáil do sheirbhís seisiúnach le h-uasmhéid de fiche dó leanbh le dáta éaga an 27/11/2025.

Cuid VII - Ceanglais maidir le Háitribh agus Spás

Rialachán 29 - Áitribh

Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe maidir le háitreabh na seirbhíse—

(c) go mbeidh soilsiú, téamh agus aeráil leordhóthanach ann,

(d) go ndéanfar é a ghlanadh, a chothabháil agus a dheisiú, de réir mar is gá, agus

Faisnéis maidir le Neamhchomhlíonadh

- (c)
1. Ní raibh an limistéar sláintíochta a d'úsáid na páistí réamhscoile téite go sásúil. Bhí an ceantar fuar le léamh teochta de 8.4 C tá sé seo i mbaol do na páistí réamhscoile.
- (d)
2. Bhí limistéir de na ballaí sa halla pobail ina raibh péint ag imeacht do na ballaí, áiteanna gan aon pheint, agus fianaise ar mhúnla ina raibh cothabháil agus ath-phéinteáil ag teastáil.
 3. Bhí an dá dhoras éalaithe éigeandála sa Halla, sean, caite, meirgeach, I ndroch chúil le píosaí briste ar doras amháin. Bhí cothabháil agus athsholáthar de dhíth ag teastáil uaidh an dá dhoras.

Gníomh Ceartaitheach & Gníomh Coisctheach arna seoladh isteach ag an Soláthraí Cláraithe

Ar an 18/03/2025, chuir an soláthraí cláraithe an méid seo a leanas in iúl.

Gníomh Ceartaitheach agus Gníomh Coisctheach

(c) 1.

Tá téitheoir lucht leanúna nua agus triomadóir láimhe suiteáilte i limistéar sláintíochta na leanaí réamhscoile.

Cinnteoídh an fhoireann go gcasfar an téitheoir air gach lá fad is atá an réamhscoil i bhfeidhm.

(d)2.

Ní bheidh an halla pobail in úsáid go dtí go mbeidh na hoibreacha cothabhála curtha i gcrích.

3.

Ní bheidh an halla pobail in úsáid go dtí go mbeidh an dá dhoras éigeandála nua curtha isteach agus an obair chothabhála chuí curtha i gcrích.

Doiciméid Tacaíochta Curtha isteach

1. Cuireadh grianghraif den téitheoir lucht leanúna nua agus den triomadóir láimhe faoi bhráid oifig chigireacht na luathbhliana.

2. Cuireadh cóip de litir ó choiste an ionaid phobail ina leagtar amach na hoibreacha atá le déanamh ar an díon chun sceitheadh beag a dheisiú agus athphéinteáil na mballaí sa halla, meastar go mbeidh an obair críochnaithe i gceann, 2-4 seachtaine.

3. Tá cóip de litir ó choiste an ionaid phobail ag cur síos ar na hoibreacha atá le déanamh ar an halla, thart ar 4-6 seachtaine ón ordú. Cuireadh cóip isteach den luachan agus den phlean do dhá dhoras éalaithe dóiteáin nua.

Nóta Tráchtach Achomair

Tá athbhreithniú déanta ag an gchigireacht ar na gníomhartha agus ar an bhfianaise a cuireadh isteach. Tugadh aghaidh leordhóthanach ar an neamhchomhlíonadh a shainaithnítear faoi Rialachán 29 (c).

Ceartaíodh an neamhchomhlíonadh a sainaithníodh faoi Rialachán 29 (d) agus meastar go mbeidh an obair críochnaithe thart ar 4-6 seachtaine agus déanfar athbhreithniú air ag an gcéad chigireacht eile.

Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Report

Pre School

TUSLA Identifier:	TU2015GY170		
Name of Service:	Comhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta Naíonra Charn Mhór		
Address of Service:	Ionad Pobal an Chairn Mhóir, An Carn Mór, An Carn Mór, Co. Galway		
Eircode:	H91 T383		
Name of Registered Provider:	Ray Mac Pháidín		
Service type:	Sessional		
Date of Inspection:	30/01/2025		
No of pre-school children:	AM	12	PM N/A
Address of the Early Years Inspectorate:	Tusla - Child and Family Agency, Early Years Inspectorate, Quality Assurance Directorate, Clinical & Administration Building, Block A- (1st Floor-Green Corridor), Merlin Park, Galway.		
Inspection undertaken by:	F Nic Dhonnacha & F. Duffy		
Title:	Early Years Inspectors		

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	Not Applicable
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Description of service

The premises is located in Carnmore community centre. An Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) programme and sessional care programme is offered. This community pre-school caters for children aged between 2 years and 8 months and 6 years from Monday to Friday between 9.00hrs and 12.00hrs for 38 weeks of the year. The service is delivered through the medium of Irish and is under the governance of Comhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta Teo. There is a quiet rest area available in the playroom for the preschool children. The pre-school is operating from one main room, and a second room is used for storage of play equipment and materials. The children have access to the indoor hall, the walking track, astro pitch and the football pitch that is adjacent to the premises for play and activities. The service offers a play-based curriculum with their main focus on the children's interests.

Staffing

The registered provider is not on the premises on a daily basis. There is a designated person in charge and a named person who can deputise when required. Two staff currently work in the premises and there is a relief person available if required. The staff directly working with the children have documentary evidence of a Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI) at a minimum of a Level 5, in Early Childhood Care and Education. The adult staff have documentary evidence of ongoing training 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 announced 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.

The inspection focused on an examination of compliance under regulations 9, 11, 19, 23, 25, 26 and 28, however, on inspection additional non-compliance which posed a risk was identified under Regulation 29. These findings are outlined within the relevant regulations within this report.

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 inspectors wish 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

(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 designated person in charge and a second person who could deputise if and when required.

(b) Following review of the roster it was clear to be seen that the designated person in charge and the deputy person in charge were available to the preschool children onsite during the operation of the sessional service.

Three staff files were reviewed. Two adults who were working directly with the children and a relief staff members file.

(2)

(a) There were written validated references available from previous employers for two adults employed in the service.

(b) Two references from another source were also available for one adult.

(c) Garda vetting disclosures had been obtained for all three adults. The service also demonstrated compliance with the Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Notice requiring services to renew Garda vetting every three years.

(d) Police vetting was not required for the three adults working in the service.

(3) Two of the adults working directly with the children had attained at least a major award in Early Childhood Care and Education at Level 5 on the National Framework for Qualifications.

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.

(8) Without prejudice to paragraphs (2) to (7)-

(c) a registered provider of a sessional pre-school service shall ensure that, where the person in charge operates the service single-handedly, a second person familiar with the operation of the service and in a position to provide assistance to the person in charge in operating the service is, at all times, within close distance of the service and available to attend the service to assist the person in charge in the event of an emergency.

Compliance Information

(1)
There were an adequate number of adults working directly with the children attending the service. There were two adults working directly with twelve children during the sessional service.

(3)

The registered provider ensured that at all times, the minimum ratio of adults to children specified was maintained.

On the morning of the inspection, there were 2 adults working directly with and caring for 12 pre-school children.

- All children were over 3 years to 5 years of age.

(8)(c)

The registered provider ensured that there were two adults on the premises at all times while the pre-school was operating.

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

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

(b) appropriate and suitable care practices are in place in the pre-school service, having regard to the number of children attending the service and the nature of their needs.

Compliance Information

(1) (a) & (b)

Basic Needs

- Healthy eating was promoted within the service. The food observed was healthy and nutritious. The children were observed eating a selection of fruit and rice cakes provided by the preschool at approx. 10 am. The snacks provided by parents and guardians consisted of a selection of sandwiches, brown bread, cheese, ham, crackers, yogurts and pieces of fruit. At approx. 10.45 the children and staff sat together whilst the children were eating.
- There was water on a shelf for children to self-serve and access their sip bottles and drinks throughout the session.

- Children were observed enjoying snack time together. The children were afforded plenty of time to enjoy their snack in a relaxed and unhurried environment.
- Children were encouraged and supported to manage their own personal care appropriate to their own level of independence. All the children were toilet trained and either toileted independently with supervision or with some assistance as required.
- The staff supervised children's hand washing before snack time, after toileting, after blowing their noses and after playing outside.
- The children had plenty of opportunities to move about freely, exploring their environment both indoors and outdoors. The children had the opportunity to play in the indoor hall and outside on the football pitch. These children were appropriately dressed wearing hats and coats when playing outside.

SUPPORTING RELATIONSHIPS AROUND CHILDREN

- A key person system was in place for each child to support their development and to inform curriculum planning. The role of the key person was also to liaise with parents/guardians.
- The staff verbally provided parents with daily information on their child's experiences in the preschool including the child's likes, interests and preferences and play activities engaged in. This information was provided at collection and drop off times and by phone calls. The service also invited parents/guardians to quarter yearly meetings to discuss each child's learning and development and staff observations.
- The preschool maintains a learning journal for each child attending the service. This journal holds the child's artwork, photographs, staff observations and identifying themes the children engaged in to date which included picking fruit, making jam, painting with fruit, wintertime and many more.
- The staff used a variety of age-appropriate materials, visual aids, songs, and rhymes to assist the children learning.
- The staff were observed to be caring and supportive in their interactions with the children. During observed interactions, the staff demonstrated that they knew the children well, recognising and valuing their individual interests, needs and learning.
- Staff were observed helping children find solutions, supporting them and talking to children in a variety of ways, discussing, questioning, and initiating games and activities together.
- The programme of care was flexible and guided by the children's choices. In the playroom, the children engaged in free play, tabletop activities and each child made St. Bridgid's cross and discussed the history

behind St. Bridgid. The children were observed playing in the community hall running, chasing and playing action games.

- They were observed playing in an area outside on the football pitch. The staff and children played traffic light games, they ran, jumped and played with each other. The staff brought a trolley filled with balls, rackets, ribbons and a mixture of outdoor play equipment for the children to play with.

PHYSICAL AND MATERIAL ENVIRONMENT:

- The layout of the playroom allowed the staff to supervise the children as they moved into the different interest areas.
- The equipment was stored on low-level shelving and was accessible by the pre-school children. The play equipment and materials were age and stage appropriate and offered imaginative play activities, messy play, arts and crafts, activities to encourage hand eye co-ordination, develop fine motor skills and logical thinking.
- Suitably sized tables and chairs were provided in the playroom for the preschool children.
- Visual aids, maps, posters, themes, and children's artwork were displayed at a low level for children to view. Displays included our family tree, emotions, a winter display and my body parts to name a few.

OUTDOOR PLAY AREA:

- The children had the use of the community football pitch, walking track and astro turf pitch.
- There were additional play items in a secure storage area outside which staff advised were rotated on a seasonal basis.

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:

- A secure system was in place at the main entrance door to monitor the safe entry and exit of the children to and from the childcare facility.
- The children were supervised while playing in the outdoor football pitch and during play time in the community hall.
- The outdoor areas were secured with fencing and gates, additionally the children were supervised by the staff to protect the children.
- Medication and cleaning agents were stored in a secured area out of reach of the children.
- The playroom temperature was recorded between the recommended temperature of 18- 22 C.

Infection Control:

The service had taken the following measures to safeguard the health, welfare and safety of children attending by:

- The children were prompted and supervised washing their hands prior to eating, after toileting and messy play.
- There was liquid soap and paper towels in the sanitary area used by the children to facilitate hand drying.
- Waste bins in the sanitary area were foot pedal operated with lids thereby ensuring the contents were inaccessible to the pre-school children.
- The water was thermostatically controlled to not exceed 43°C to facilitate hygienic hand washing for the preschool children.
- There was a daily and a weekly cleaning schedule.

Administration of Medication:

- Temperature lowering medication was available in a secure press inaccessible to the preschool children if required.

Safe Sleep:

- There was a cosy corner with child size couches and cushions where children could rest or relax during the morning session if they choose.

Fire Safety:

- The service carried out monthly fire drills and there were records available for inspection. The last recorded fire drill was dated 20/01/2025.

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 service provided evidence that a person trained in first aid for children was available to the children attending the pre-school service. One adult had current training in first aid responder (FAR)

(2)

(a) The first aid box was easily accessible and in a conspicuous position on the cupboard in the playroom.

(b) The service demonstrated that the first aid box was fully equipped with items in date and available to the children attending the pre-school service.

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 in writing was kept and maintained in the service of the monthly fire drills. The last monthly fire drill was dated 20/01/2025.

(b)

A record was maintained of the number, type, and maintenance of firefighting equipment with the last annual service dated the 08/01/2025. There was a record available of the annual maintenance for the services smoke and fire detection system dated 8/01/2025.

(4)

A notice of the procedures to be followed in the event of a fire was conspicuously displayed in the preschool room.

Part VI - Safety

Regulation 28 - Insurance

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

Compliance Information

Adequate insurance was available for a sessional service with a maximum of 22 children with an expiry date of 27/11/2025.

Part VII - Premises and Space Requirements

Regulation 29 - Premises

A registered provider shall ensure that the premises of the service are-

- (c) kept adequately lit, heated and ventilated*
- (d) cleaned, maintained and repaired, as required,*

Non-Compliance Information

- (c)
1. The sanitary area used by the preschool children was not adequately heated. The area was cold with a temperature reading of 8.4 C this poses a risk to the preschool children.
- (d)
2. There were areas of the walls in the community hall with no paint, flaking paint and evidence of mould this required maintenance and repainting.
 3. Two emergency exit doors in the hall showed signs of rust, one door panel was cracked, and the doors were worn, and gaps were observed around the doors. The two emergency exit doors required replacement.

Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

On the 18/03/2025 the registered provider advised of the following.

Corrective and Preventive Action

- (c) 1.
- A new fan heater and hand dryer has been installed in the preschool children's sanitary area. The staff will ensure the heater is turned on each day while the preschool is in operation.
- (d) 2.
- The community hall will not be in use until the maintenance works are completed.
- 3.
- The community hall will not be in use until the two new emergency doors have been installed and relevant maintenance work completed.

Supporting documentation submitted

1. Photographs of the new fan heater and hand dryer was submitted to the office of the early year's inspectorate.
2. A copy of a letter from the community centre committee outlining the works due on the roof to repair a minor leak and the re painting of the walls in the hall, the estimated completion time is approx, 2-4 weeks.
3. A copy of a letter from the community centre committee outlining the works due on the hall, estimated completion time is approx, 4-6 weeks from order. A copy of the quotation and plan for two new fire exit doors was submitted.

Summary Comment

The inspectorate has reviewed the actions and evidence submitted. The non-compliance identified under Regulation 29 (c) has been adequately addressed, however the non-compliance identified under Regulation 29 (d) has been corrected and the estimated completion time is approx 4-6 weeks and will be reviewed on next inspection.