

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

Is seirbhís luathbhlianta cláraithe í Naionra an Leitriúigh a chuireann cúram seisiúnach ar fáil do leanaí idir 2 bhliain agus 6 bliana d'aois. Feidhmíonn an tseirbhís ó Halla Le Chéile amháin, i gceantar tuaithe Cé Bhréanainn, Co. Chiarraí. Tá rochtain ag na páistí ar chóiríocht sláintíochta sa seomra súgartha agus ar chlós súgartha pobail fairsing atá suite ar chúil an fhoirgnimh le linn an tseisiúin.

Soláthar Foirne

Tá 5 duine fásta sa tseirbhís. Áirítear leis seo an soláthraí cláraithe nach bhfuil ag obair sa tseirbhís leis na leanaí agus an comhordaitheoir ceantair, an bheirt atá cleamhnaithe le Comhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta.

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 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

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 na cigireachtaí díriú ar réimsí eile freisin de réir mar is gá.

Déantar torthaí cigireachta a dhoiciméadú sa tuarascáil chigireachta a eisítear den chéad uair i ndréachtfhormáid don 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 Coisctheach 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.

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.

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.

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

(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 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 ag an soláthraí cláraithe agus tá duine ainmnithe tánaisteach ann chun ionadaíocht a dhéanamh de réir mar bá gá.

Nuair a cuireadh tús leis an gcigireacht gan fhógra, bhí an duine ainmnithe i gceannas ar dualgas le cúnamh a thabhairt leis an bpróiseas cigireachta.

(2) Tá 5 dhuine fásta ceangailte leis an tseirbhís. Rinneadh cigireacht ar na taifid earcaíochta maidir le gach duine den chúigear daoine fásta.

(a) As na 10 dtagairt a bhí ag teastáil, bhí 7 dtagairt ó fhostóirí roimhe seo a raibh taifid bhailíochtaithe acu ar taifead.

(b) As na 10 dtagairt a éilíodh, bhí 3 thagairt ó fhoinsé seachas fostóir roimhe sin ar comhad le taifid bhailíochtaithe.

(c) Fuarthas nochtaí grinnfhiosrúcháin an Gharda Síochána do gach duine den chúigear duine 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 grinnfhiosrúcháin póilíneachta ar comhad do dhuine fásta amháin a bhí ina chónaí lasmuigh den dlínse ar feadh tréimhse níos faide ná 6 mhí as a chéile.

(4) Bhí duaiseanna móra bainte amach ag na daoine fásta uile a bhí ag obair go díreach leis na páistí i gCúram agus Oideachas Luath-Óige, mar atá liostaithe ar an gCreat Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí (NFQ) agus cóipeanna de na cáilíochtaí ábhartha ar chomhad.

Cuid III – Bainistíocht agus Foireann

Rialachán 11 – Leibhéal 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.

Gan dochar do mhíreanna (2) go (7)-

(c) áiritheoidh soláthraí cláraithe réamhscoile seisiúnach, sa chás go n-oibríonn an duine atá i gceannas an tseirbhís go haonarach, tá an dara duine a bhfuil cur amach aige nó aici ar oibriú na seirbhíse agus atá in ann cúnamh a thabhairt don duine atá i gceannas ar an tseirbhís a oibriú, i gcónaí, laistigh d'achar gar don tseirbhís agus ar fáil chun freastal ar an tseirbhís chun cabhrú leis an duine atá i gceannas i gcás éigeandála.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

(1) Le linn na tréimhse cigireachta, chinntigh an soláthraí cláraithe go raibh líon na ndaoine fásta a thugann aire do na leanaí atá ag freastal ar an tseirbhís.

(3) Bhí beirt daoine fásta ag tabhairt aire do 11 leanbh idir 3 bliana d'aois agus 5 bliana d'aois ag freastal ar an tseirbhís ar bonn seisiúnach. Bhí an cóimheas idir leanaí agus daoine fásta ceart.

(8)(c) Ní bhaineann sé seo le hábhar mar nach n-oibríonn an tseirbhís ina haonar.

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

(a) Riachtanais **Bhunúsacha**: -

- Spreagadh agus tacaíodh leis na leanaí a gcúram pearsanta féin a bhainistiú a bheadh oiriúnach dá leibhéal neamhspleáchais aonair. Léiríodh é sin, mar shampla, nuair a nigh leanaí a lámha tar éis dóibh an leithreas a úsáid, tar éis na gníomhaíochta péintéireachta agus sula n-itheann siad a gcótaí a chur orthu agus a bhaint díobh.

- Tugadh go leor ama do na páistí a gcuid bia a ithe agus taitneamh a bhaint as a gcuid bia gan a bheith ag brostú.
- Shuigh na baill foirne ag na boird leis na páistí le hidirghníomhaíochtaí idir an fhoireann agus na páistí a bhí ar siúl.
- Bhí deiseanna ag na páistí bogadh faoi shaoirse sa seomra súgartha le rochtain ar na bréagáin agus ar na hábhair súgartha atá stóráilte ar an seilfeanna oscailte agus ar an urlár.
- Bhí póstaer oideachasúla éagsúla ar bhallaí an tseomra súgartha agus bhí saothar ealaíne roinnt leanaí ar taispeáint.
- D'éascaigh an fhoireann deiseanna do ghníomhaíochtaí aonair, beaga agus móra grúpa agus súgradh mar is léir le linn na cigireachta.
- Bhí rochtain neamhsrianta ag na páistí ar na leithris atá suite sa seomra súgartha.
- Bhreathnaigh an cigire ar na leanaí ag baint úsáide as na leithris go neamhspleách, agus an fhoireann ar láimh chun cúnamh a sholáthar de réir mar a bhí gá leis.
- Le linn am súgartha sa cheantar lasmuigh, thug an cigire faoi deara gur tógadh leanaí a d'iarr an leithreas a úsáid taobh istigh den leithreas gan mhoill.
- Ó rinneadh an chigireacht dheireanach, suiteáladh 2 chiúbán leithris nua sa seomra súgartha lena n-úsáid ag leanaí, ina raibh leithreas agus báisín láimhe níos álainn amháin faoi mhíchumas in aon chiúbán amháin, leithreas amháin sa dara ciúbán agus 2 imchuach láimhe níos álainn lasmuigh le haeráil mheicniúil agus nádúrtha trí na fuinneoga inoscailte.
- Tugadh faoi deara go raibh an fhoireann ag idirghníomhú leis na leanaí ar bhealach cineálta, comhbhách, tacúil.
- Bhí an fhoireann aireach ar riachtanais na leanaí agus bhain siad leas as leideanna aonair na leanaí, mar shampla, ag imeacht óna mbia. Tháinig an ball foirne anuas go dtí leibhéal an linbh, d'fhiafraigh sé an raibh an leanbh ag mothú, an ndeachaigh sé nó sí ar aghaidh chun teocht an linbh a sheiceáil, agus mhínigh sé nó sí don leanbh cén fáth a raibh sí ag déanamh amhlaidh agus thug sé nó sí cead don leanbh deoch a thógáil agus cuid dá mbia a ithe de réir mar ba mhian leo.
- Bhain na páistí leas as am súgartha sa limistéar súgartha lasmuigh le linn an iniúchta.
- Thug an cigire faoi deara go raibh na páistí gléasta go cuí le haghaidh súgartha lasmuigh le cótaí agus go raibh hataí ag cuid acu.
- Chuidigh an fhoireann leis na páistí a gcótaí a chur orthu, zipeanna agus cnaipí a dhúnadh, agus iad a spreagadh agus a mholadh as a gcuid iarrachtaí agus iad ag déanamh amhlaidh.

- Bhí éagsúlacht de threalamh seasta i bhfeidhm ar an taobh amuigh ar an dromchla matting bog. Bhí sleamhnáin, aonad gníomhaíochta mór agus cathaoir luascáin earrach mar shampla.
- D'imir na páistí cluichí chasing agus d'úsáid siad an trealamh súgartha a cuireadh ar fáil. Bhí suíocháin ar fáil ar a dtugtar an 'comhchathaoirleach', áit a bhféadfadh leanaí suí agus sos a ghlacadh ón súgradh.

Faisnéis maidir le Neamhchomhlíonadh

Bunriachtanais: -

- Níor comhlíonadh an gá a bhí ag na leanaí le scíth agus scíthe le linn an tseisiúin. Ní raibh aon limistéar leithdháilte sa seomra súgartha a bhí ar fáil agus a cuireadh ar fáil le feistis bhoga.

Gníomh Ceartaitheach & Coiscitheach curtha isteach ag an Soláthraí Cláraithe

Gníomh Ceartaitheach agus Coiscitheach

Tá limistéar bog scíthe curtha ar fáil ag an tseirbhís do na páistí trí chúisíní agus mata a chur i bhfeidhm i gcúinne na léitheoireachta a ligfidh do na páistí suí agus scíth a ligean ar a gcompord.

Doiciméid tacaíochta curtha isteach

Grianghraif den limistéar scíthe faoi thoscán.

Nóta Achomair

Rinneadh athbhreithniú ar an doiciméadacht a fuarthas. Tá an ceanglas don rialachán sin á chomhlíonadh.

Cuid V - Cúram Leanaí sa tSeirbhís Naíonra

Rialachán 22 – Bia agus deoch

Cinntoidh 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

- Cuireann na tuismitheoirí/caomhnóirí an bia ar fad a chaitear ar na sneaiceanna sa tseirbhís ar fáil.
- Bhí rochtain ag na páistí ar a gcuid buidéil uisce ar sheilf íseal sa seomra súgartha.
- Dúirt an fhoireann gur féidir uisce óil a chur le buidéil uisce na leanaí ag an doirteal sa seomra súgartha.
- I measc na mbianna a breathnaíodh le haghaidh sneaiceanna na maidine bhí ceapairí, iógart agus rogha torthaí.

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.

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

- Bhí aláram i bhfeidhm ag an doras dóiteáin atá suite sa seomra súgartha leis an láimhseáil íseal-leibhéil a d'oscail amach ar chúl an fhoirgnimh as ar eascair geataí ar an mbóthar agus chuig an gclós súgartha a bhí in ord oibre.
- Stóráiltear táirgí glantacháin a breathnaíodh ar sheilf ardleibhéil sa seomra súgartha.
- Stóráladh an mála garchabhrach ar sheilf ardleibhéil sa chóiríocht sláintíochta as teacht na leanaí.

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

- Bhí uisce te, gallúnach láimhe leachtach, tuáillí láimhe páipéir indiúscartha agus araidí clúdaithe oibrithe cos i bhfeidhm ag na báisíní láimhe níos áine chun níos áine láimhe éifeachtach a éascú chun leathadh an ionfhabhtaithe a chosc.
- Glanadh na táblaí tar éis na gníomhaíochta péintéireachta, roimh agus tar éis an t-am sneaiceanna mar shampla.
- Stóráladh lón na bpáistí sa chuisneoir sa seomra súgartha chun milleadh bia earraí meatacha a chosc.

Faisnéis maidir le Neamhchomhlíonadh

Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

- Bhí cáblaí luchtair gutháin, cábla raidió agus cábla lannaitheora inrochtana ag na páistí sa seomra súgartha, rud a chuir riosca díobhála i láthair.
- Bhí 2 dhoras dóiteáin le glais chas íseal suiteáilte sa seomra súgartha ó rinneadh an chigireacht dheireanach. D'oscail na doirse isteach i halla neamhshábháilte, cistin oibre ina ndéantar béilí a chócaráil, leithreas do dhaoine fásta, doras dóiteáin inoscailte a d'oscail amach chuig an mbóthar agus chuig an limistéar iontrála/fáiltithe áit nach raibh doirse an fhoirgnimh sláintithe agus a d'oscail amach ar an mbóthar, rud a chuir riosca díobhála i láthair do leanaí.
- Bhí málaí plaisteacha oscailte inrochtana ag leanaí ar sheilfeanna íseal-leibhéil sa chóiríocht shláintíochta, rud a chuir riosca díobhála i láthair do leanaí.

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

- Ní raibh cuid d'éadaí breise na bpáistí stóráilte i gcoimeádáin/málaí séalaithe ar na seilfeanna oscailte sa chóiríocht shláintíochta rud a chruthaigh riosca tras-ionfhabhtaithe.

5. Bhí scuaba urláir, mopaí agus buicéid agus cótaí foirne stóráilte sa chóiríocht shláintíochta rud a chruthaigh riosca tras-ionfhabhtaithe.

Gníomh curtha isteach ag an Soláthraí Cláraithe

Gníomh Ceartaitheach & Coiscitheach

Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

1. Baineadh cáblaí luchtair an fhóin, cábla an raidió agus cábla an lannaitheora agus níl rochtain ag na páistí orthu a thuilleadh. Tá na cáblaí daingnithe in áit nach mbeidh rochtain ag páistí orthu feasta.
2. Tá an dá dhoras dóiteáin daingnithe anois le haláram ar bharr gach ceann de na doirse chun cosc a chur ar na páistí an seomra a fhágáil gan aird a thabhairt orthu agus an seisiún ar siúl
3. Baineadh na málaí plaisteacha as an seomra, agus cuireadh an fhoireann ar an eolas gan úsáid málaí plaisteacha sa seomra feasta ar mhaithe le sábháilteacht na bpáistí. Ní cheadaítear málaí plaisteacha sa seomra ranga a thuilleadh. Tá glas leanaí curtha ar na cófraí chun cosc a chur ar páistí rochtain a fháil ar na cófraí sa tseirbhís.

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

4. Bíonn éadaí breise stóráilte i gcoimeádáin phlaisteacha lipéadaithe ina n-aonar ag gach leanbh a fhreastalaíonn ar an tseirbhís chun aon tras-éilliú sa tseirbhís a sheachaint. Ag dul ar aghaidh, cinnteoidh an fhoireann go leanfar leis an gcleachtas seo.
5. Baineadh na mopaí lipéadaithe agus na scuaba agus cuireadh i seomra stórais iad atá suite sa halla san fhoirgneamh chun aon tras-éilliú a sheachaint.

Doiciméid tacaíochta curtha isteach

Sábháilteacht Ghinearálta:

1. Grianghraf de na cáblaí atá istigh sa bhosca glantacháin cáblaí.
2. Grianghraif agus físeán de na halárim atá i bhfeidhm ar na doirse.
3. Glactar leis an ráiteas mar fhianaise.

Rialú Ionfhabhtaithe:

4. Grianghraif de bhoscaí stórála séalaithe aonair na bpáistí le haghaidh na n-éadaí breise.
5. Grianghraif den chófra stórála a úsáidtear chun na mopaí agus na scuaba a stóráil.

Nóta Achomair

Rinneadh scrúdú ar an bhfianaise go léir a fuarthas. Tá an ceanglas don rialachán sin á chomhlíonadh.

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) Tugadh na deimhnithe reatha maidir le hoiliúint Fhreagróirí Garchabhrach don chigire mar fhianaise go raibh an oiliúint (Fhreagróirí Garchabhrach críochnaithe ag 3 duine fásta a bhí bainteach leis an tseirbhís.

(2)(a) Bhí mála garchabhrach oiriúnach curtha ar fáil do na páistí sa tseirbhís, agus bhí sé stóráilte ar sheilf shábháilte sa chóiríocht sláintíochta.

(b) Bhí an mála garchabhrach atá feistithe go cuí ar fáil do na páistí sa tseirbhís i gcónaí.

uid VII – Riachtanais Áitribh agus Spáis

Rialachán 29 – Áitribh

Cinnteoídh soláthraí cláraithe maidir le háitreabh na seirbhíse—

- (a) de dhéanamhas fóna cobhsaí,*
- (d) glanta, coinnithe agus deisithe, de réir mar is gá, agus*

Faisnéis maidir le Comhlíonadh

- (a) Ó thaobh amhairc de, bhí cuma slán agus cobhsaí ar an bhfoirgneamh.

Faisnéis maidir le Neamhchomhlíonadh

- (d)
- 1. Ní raibh doirse na gcófraí faoi na 2 dhoirt sa chóiríocht shláintíochta ag dúnadh i gceart.
- 2. Breathnaíodh nach raibh an soláthar uisce ag na 3 báisín níocháin sa chóiríocht shláintíochta láithreach ó am go ham le linn na cigireachta. Chuir an duine i gceannas in iúl don chigire gur fadhb leanúnach í seo.

Gníomh Ceartaitheach & Coiscitheach curtha isteach ag an Soláthraí Cláraithe

Gníomh Ceartaitheach agus Coiscitheach

- (d)
- 1. Tá glais leanaí i bhfeidhm anois ar dhoirse na gcófraí; tá na doirse ag dúnadh go hiomlán ionas nach mbeidh rochtain ag leanaí orthu. Beidh na cófraí faoi ghlas go laethúil lena chinntiú nach mbeidh rochtain ag na leanaí.
- 2. Tá méadú tagtha anois ar shreabhadh an uisce chuig na 3 bháisín níocháin tar éis obair a dhéanamh ar an uisce le déanaí.

Doiciméid tacaíochta curtha isteach

- 1. Grianghraif de na glais leanaí ina n-áit ar na cófraí.
- 2. Grianghraif de na báisíní níocháin le huisce reatha ó na sconnáí.

Nóta Achomair

Rinneadh scrúdú ar an doiciméadacht a fuarthas. Tá an ceanglas don rialachán sin á chomhlíonadh.

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TUSLA Identifier:	TU2015KY099
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Name of Service:	Naíonra an Leitriúigh
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Address of Service:	Halla le Chéile, Bréanainn, Trá Lí, Co. Kerry
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Eircode:	V92 DK4C
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Name of Registered Provider:	Ray Mac Pháidín
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Service type:	Sessional
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Date(s) of Inspection:	18/03/2026
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No of pre-school children:	AM	11	PM	None
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Address of the Early Years Inspectorate:	Áras an Phobail, Deans Lane, Tralee, Co. Kerry.
Inspection undertaken by:	N. Reidy
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

Naíonra an Leitriúigh is a registered early years service that offers sessional care to children between the age of 2 years and 6 years. The service operates from a single Halla Le Cheile, in the rural area of Brandon, Co. Kerry. The children have access to sanitary accommodation in the playroom and to a spacious community playground located to the rear of the building during the session.

Staffing

There are 5 adults attached to the service. This includes the registered provider who does not work in the service with the children and the area co-ordinator, both affiliated to Comhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta.

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 inspections 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

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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*

(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.

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Compliance Information

- (1)
- (a) The registered provider had a designated person in charge and there is a named deputy to deputise as required.
- (b) When the unannounced inspection commenced, the designated person in charge were on duty to assist with the inspection process.
- (2) There are 5 adults attached to the service. The recruitment records in relation to each of the 5 adults were inspected.
- (a) Of the 10 references required, there were 7 references from previous employers with records of validation were on file.
- (b) Of the 10 references required, 3 references from a source other than a previous employer were on file with records of validation.
- (c) Garda vetting disclosures had been obtained for each of the 5 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 on file for 1 adult who had resided outside the jurisdiction for a period of longer than 6 consecutive months.
- (4) All adults working directly with the children had achieved major awards in Early Childhood Care and Education, as listed on the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ) with copies of the relevant qualifications on file.

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*

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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) Throughout the period of inspection, the registered provider did ensure that there was an adequate number of adults caring for the children attending the service.
- (3) There were 2 adults caring for 11 children aged between 3 years to 5 years attending the service on a sessional basis. The adult child ratio was correct and maintained.
- (8)(c) Not applicable as the service does not operate single-handedly.

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

(1)(a) Basic Needs: -

- The children were encouraged and supported to manage their own personal care appropriate to their individual level of independence. This was evidenced for example as children washed their hands after using the toilet, after the painting activity and before eating putting on and taking off their coats.
- The children were afforded enough time to eat and enjoy their food without being rushed.
- The staff members sat at the tables with the children with interactions between the staff and the children taking place.
- The children had opportunities to move about freely in the playroom with access to the toys and play materials stored on the open shelving and on the floor.
- The playroom walls had a variety of educational posters and some children's artwork displayed.
- The staff facilitated opportunities for individual, small and large group activities and play as evidenced during the inspection.
- The children had unrestricted access to the toilets located in the playroom.
- The inspector observed the children using the toilets independently, with the staff on hand to provide assistance as was needed.
- During playtime in the outdoor area, the inspector observed children that asked to use the toilet were taken indoors to the toilet without delay.

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- Since the last inspection, 2 new toilet cubicles were installed in the playroom for children's use, consisting of one disabled toilet and wash hand basin in one cubicle, one toilet in the second cubicle and 2 wash hand basins outside with mechanical and natural ventilation via the openable windows.
- The staff were observed to interact with the children in a kind, caring, supportive manner.
- The staff were attentive to the children's needs and picked up on children's individual cues such for example turning away from their food. The staff member came down to the child's level, asked if the child how the child was feeling, proceeded to check the child's temperature, explaining to the child why she was doing so and allowed the child to take a drink and eat some of their food as they so wished.
- The children availed of play time in the outdoor play area during the inspection.
- The inspector observed the children were appropriately dressed for outdoor play with coats and some had hats.
- The staff assisted the children with putting on their coats, closing zips and buttons, encouraging and praising the children for their efforts in doing so.
- The outdoor had a variety of fixed equipment in place on the soft matting surface. There were slides, a large activity unit and spring rockers for example.
- The children played chasing games and used the play equipment provided. There was seating available called the "share chair" where children could sit and take a break from play.

Non-Compliance Information

Basic Needs: -

1. The children's need for rest and relaxation during the session was not met. There was no allocated area in the playroom available and furnished with soft furnishings.

Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

Corrective and Preventive Action

The service has provided a soft resting area for the children by applying cushions and a mat in the reading corner which will allow the children sit and relax in comfort.

Supporting documentation submitted

Photographs of the furnished rest area.

Summary Comment

The documentation received was reviewed. The requirement for the regulation has been met.

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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 parents/guardians provide all the food that is consumed for the snacks in the service.
- The children had access to their water bottles on a low-level shelf in the playroom.
- The staff stated that the children's water bottles can be topped up with drinking water at the sink in the playroom.
- The food observed for the morning snack included sandwiches, yogurts and a selection of fruit.

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 fire door located in the playroom with the low-level handle that opened out to the rear of the building leading to gates onto the roadway and to the playground had an alarm in place that was in working order.
- Cleaning products observed were stored on a high-level shelf in the playroom.
- The first aid bag was stored on a high-level shelf in the sanitary accommodation out of the reach of the children.

Infection Control:

- There was warm water, liquid hand soap, disposable paper hand towels and pedal operated lidded bins in place at the wash hand basins to facilitate effective hand washing to prevent the spread of infection.
- The tables were cleaned down after the painting activity, prior to and after the snack time for example.
- The children's lunches were stored in the fridge in the playroom to prevent food spoilage of perishable items.

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Non-Compliance Information

General Safety:

1. There were phone charger cables, a radio cable and a laminator cable accessible to the children in the playroom posing a risk of injury.
2. There were 2 fire doors with low level turn locks installed in the playroom since the last inspection. The doors opened into an unsecured hall, a working kitchen where meals are cooked, an adult toilet, to an openable fire door that opened out to the roadway and to the entrance /reception area where the doors to the building were unsecured and opened onto the roadway posing a risk of injury to children.
3. There were open plastic bags accessible to children on low-level shelving in the sanitary accommodation posing a risk of injury to children.

Infection Control:

4. Some of the children's spare clothes were not stored in sealed containers/bags on the open shelving in the sanitary accommodation posing a risk of cross infection.
5. There were floor brushes, mops and buckets and staff coats stored in the sanitary accommodation posing a risk of cross infection.

Action submitted by the Registered Provider

Corrective & Preventive Action

General Safety:

1. The phone charger cables, the radio cable and the laminator cable have been removed and are no longer accessible to the children. The cables have been secured in a place that children will be unable to access them going forward.
2. The two fire doors have now been secured with an alarm on top of each of the doors to prevent the children leaving the room un-noticed while the session is in progress.
3. The plastic bags have been removed from the room, the staff have been notified to avoid the use of plastic bags in the room going forward for the safety of the children. Plastic bags are no longer allowed in the classroom. There is a child lock applied to the cupboards to avoid children accessing the cupboards in the service.

Infection Control:

4. All the children attending the service have spare clothing stored in individually labelled plastic containers to avoid any cross contamination in the service. Going forward, the staff will ensure that this practice is continued.

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- The labelled mops and the brushes have been removed and placed in a storeroom located in the hallway in the building to avoid any cross contamination.

Supporting documentation submitted

General Safety:

- A photograph of the cables enclosed in the cable tidy box.
- Photographs and video of the alarms in place on the doors.
- The statement is accepted as evidence.

Infection Control:

- Photographs of the children's individual sealed storage boxes for the spare clothes.
- Photographs of the storage cupboard used to store the mops and brushes.

Summary Comment

All evidence received was examined. The requirement for the regulation has been met.

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

- The in-date certifications for First Aid Responder (FAR) training were furnished to the inspector to evidence that 3 adults attached to the service had completed the (FAR) training.
- (a) There was a suitably equipped first aid bag provided for the children in the service, it was stored on a secure shelf in the sanitary accommodation.
- (b) The suitably equipped first aid bag was available to the children in the service at all times.

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Part VII - Premises and Space Requirements

Regulation 29 - Premises

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

- (a) of sound and stable structure,*
- (d) cleaned, maintained and repaired, as required, and*

Compliance Information

- (a) Visually the building appeared to be sound and stable.

Non-Compliance Information

- (d)
- The doors of the cupboards under the 2 sinks in the sanitary accommodation were not closing properly.
 - The water supply at the 3 wash hand basins in the sanitary accommodation was observed to be not instantaneous on occasions during the inspection. The person in charge informed the inspector this has been an ongoing issue.

Corrective & Preventive Action submitted by the Registered Provider

Corrective and Preventive Action

- (d)
- The cupboard doors now have child locks in place; the doors are closing fully so as children have no access to them. The cupboards will be locked daily to ensure that the children have no access.
 - The water flow has now increased to the 3 wash hand basins after recent work was carried out on the water supply in the area.

Supporting documentation submitted

- Photographs of the child locks in place on the cupboards.
- Photographs of the wash hand basins with running water from both taps.

Summary Comment

The documentation received was examined. The requirement for the regulation has been met.