Dear Prospective Childminder,

Thank you for your recent enquiry regarding becoming a Childminder.

Haringey as the local authority is responsible for information, training, guidance and support to all existing and prospective childcare providers in its area. Ofsted, the Office for Standards in Education has responsibility for the regulation of childcare providers including childminders.

We would like to confirm your reservation on our childminding information session:

To do this you will need to sign-up to Haringey traded services to ensure your place has been booked.
Please use the link to sign-up to our Traded Services portal http://tradedservices.haringey.gov.uk/

Steps to sign-up to traded services

- Click the sign-up tab on the home screen, complete the form, please type Pre Reg-Childminder in job title and submit
- You may have to wait 1-3 days for your login ID and password
- Once you can login, with your email and password you are free to book training
- Click the training tab and type “information session” into the Quick course search, select the appropriate date then enter
- Scroll to the bottom of the screen and type in your name to make a booking
- Checkout the training that has been added to your basket

Once you have made a booking and checked out, you will be sent a confirmation email.

Please note, you will be sent an invoice for you to make payment, this may arrive after you have completed the training

As you wait for your session to take place please begin to familiarise yourself with the EYFS 2017 https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/eyfs-statutory-framework/

Look forward to meeting you. At this session you will be given information on the process of registration, Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Welfare and Learning Requirements, Ofsted application process and training.

You will be given the opportunity to ask questions and to book onto a more formal 4-day session (Childminding Pre Registration Training) that will look in further detail at what is involved in setting up a Childminding business, the standards that Ofsted will require you to know, understand and implement.

What documents will you need?

Early Years Foundation Stage 2017 (EYFS). This sets the standards for the learning, development and care of children from birth to the end of the EYFS – the 31st August after their 5th birthday, or the end of reception class. As this is a big document the most important aspect for the purpose of this Childminding training is the “Statutory Framework” you can obtain a
What training will you need?
- Pre registration training
- 12 hour pediatric First aid for children and babies
- Safeguarding & Child protection
- Food Hygiene

Some of the above courses can be booked with the Early Years Team once you have completed the Pre registration training sessions. Pediatric First aid, Food Hygiene and Safeguarding & Child protection can also be booked and completed with outside or online training providers at any time.

You may also require minimum of a level 2 diploma in Childcare this training can be obtained from any college, Pacey or other online training providers.

If you would like any further information before attending the session, please call Rebekah in the Early Years Team.

This is a 3-hour session and you are expected to attend for the full 3 hours. Any attendees arriving more than 30 minutes late will not be admitted to the session and will be asked to re-book.

Due to the nature of the session it is not suitable for children, so please make alternative childcare arrangements.

This session provides a vast amount of information as well as some group tasks; please bring resources for note taking.

We look forward to seeing you in the near future,
Yours sincerely

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Frequently asked questions

Q How long will the whole process take?
A From attending the information session to receiving your registration certificate from Ofsted could take up to 6 months, taking into consideration all the other steps that have to be completed in between.

Q How long does it take to register with Ofsted?
A From the date you send your application to Ofsted it should take approximately 12 weeks

Q Can I child mind from rented accommodation?
A Yes, however you must obtain permission for your landlord before you proceed.
Q Is there an age limit?
A The minimum age is 18, there is no upper age limit, but you must be healthy in mind and body.

Q Will my family be checked?
A Yes, all adults living on the premises over 16 years old will be subject to a Disclosure and Barring (CRB) check.

Q Do I have to pay for training?
A Yes, Pre registration training, First Aid, Child Protection, Food Hygiene and Award in Preparing to Work in Home Based Childcare all carry a cost.

Q how much does it cost to become a childminder?
A Startup costs can be between £600-£1.000, taking into consideration training, DBS, health checks, Ofsted registration, insurances and resources,

Q Does the council provide start-up funding?
A No, unfortunately the council is unable to provide financial support.