



Early Years - Moving and Handling Pathway

Child with Moving and Handling needs
e.g. child in a hip spica, non ambulant child

Child's Name:	D.O.B.	Setting:
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1. CARRY OUT RISK ASSESSMENT:

Using the Child Based Risk Assessment and Early Support in Childcare Pathway and Plan - contact the Early Start Team for advice if needed. Ideally this should happen before the child starts the setting.

The Manager should ensure that the following areas are considered as part of the control measures.

	YES	NO	COMMENTS	DATE
Information from parents - including the level of child's condition i.e. how long non-ambulant, their weight, level of comprehension and co-operation, guidance from other agencies involved (if applicable)				
Advice from Medical Personnel (if applicable) Staff Training - Health and Safety; Moving and Handling				
Equipment: Obtaining equipment, use of equipment and maintenance. (if applicable) NB Lifting equipment has specific regulations which need to be addressed				
Staff Awareness Sheet re safe Moving and Handling				
Support required to meet the child's needs e.g. staff, resources				
Contacting your Insurance Company (if applicable)				

2. ASSESS THE RISK:

HIGH RISK

Can this be reduced?

If the child is already in the setting and you cannot carry out the risk control measures immediately, OfSTED advise that the child should not be in the setting. Agree a timescale for readmission based on completion of the risk control measures, which will reduce the risk to medium or low.

If you are unable to complete all the risk control measures, the risk remains high. Contact your Early Start Team for advice.

MEDIUM RISK

Medium risk will be based on the level of the child's disability, understanding, co-operation or predictability (in movement or action). Even if the risk control measures are implemented successfully, if the child's disability is significant their understanding or co-operation is poor, or they are unpredictable, the risk of an event occurring will remain medium.

LOW RISK

If the risk control measures have been implemented successfully and the child's level of disability is low their understanding, co-operation is good and they are not unpredictable the risk will be low.

3. FOR FURTHER ADVICE:

- Contact your Early Start Team
- Refer to Local documents, "Child Based Risk Assessment
- Refer to Health and Safety Legislation
- Refer to Ofsted Day Care Standards – Standard 6

4. REVIEW:

The Child Risk Assessment should be monitored on an ongoing basis and reviewed at least Annually Parents to inform setting of any changes of condition immediately – the risk may need to be altered.

5. COPYRIGHT AND DISCLAIMER INFORMATION:

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