

Duty of Candour January 2020 Report – Newington Primary Nursery Class

"Openness and honesty should be central to the actions of those providing care to others. It should be at the heart of every relationship between those providing, receiving and/or experiencing treatment and care. Trust and effective communication can be difficult to maintain and easy to lose when things have gone wrong.

The new organisational Duty of Candour underpins the Scottish Government's commitment to safe, effective and person-centred health and social care."

At Newington Nursery we have a legal responsibility to report any incidents, as soon as reasonably practical, that lead to:

- 1. The death of a person
- 2. Permanent lessening of bodily, sensory, motor, physiological or intellectual functions,.
- 3. Harm which is not severe harm but which results in one or more of the following criteria:
 - a. An increase in the person's treatment
 - b. Changes to the structure of the person's body
 - c. The shortening of the life expectancy of the person
 - d. An impairment of the sensory, motor or intellectual functions of the person which has lasted, or is likely to last, for a continuous period of at least 28 days.
 - e. The person experiencing the pain or physiological harm which has been, or is likely to be, experienced by the person for a continuous period of at least 28 days.
- 4. The person requires treatment by a registered health professional in order to prevent:
 - a. The death of a person
 - b. An injury to the person which, left untreated, would lead to one or more of the outcomes mentioned in the above (number 3).

This report acknowledges that between **31st March 2018 to 1st April 2019** Newington Nursery have had no incidents that have required reporting. As a matter of good practice we ensure that all staffs are aware of their responsibility to children and families, completing relevant Duty of Candour training. This will allow families the reassurance that if an incident were to occur, all staff would know to report it as soon as reasonably possible. A flow chart of when Organisational Duty of Candour must be activated can be found in the nursery office.

Please speak to staff if you have any further questions surrounding Organisational Duty of Candour.

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