

Fusion Family and Youth Projects Health and safety policy

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Designated Safeguarding lead - Angela Linton

'Together we will create a place and a project that young people, parents and partners trust to deliver high quality services that enable local children and young people to thrive. One that delivers the best possible outcomes to children and young people and to the Community.'

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Health and Safety Policy

Fusion Family and Youth Projects considers health and safety to be of utmost importance. We comply with The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and the Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992 at all times.

The Club has appropriate insurance cover, including employer's liability insurance and public liability insurance.

Each member of staff follows the Club's Health and Safety policy and is responsible for:

- Maintaining a safe environment
- Taking reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and others attending the Club
- Reporting all accidents and incidents which have caused injury or damage or may do so in the future
- Undertaking relevant health and safety training when required to do so by the manager.

Any member of staff who disregards safety instructions or recognised safe practices will be subject to disciplinary procedures.

Responsibilities of the registered person

The registered person for the setting holds ultimate responsibility and liability for the safe operation of the Club. The registered person will ensure that:

- They nominate a Health and Safety Officer. The designated health and safety officer is Angela Linton.
- A copy of the current Health and Safety At work poster is displayed (poster is available here: http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/books/lawposter.htm)
- All staff receive information on health and safety matters, and receive training where necessary
- The Health and Safety policy and procedures are reviewed regularly
- Staff understand and follow health and safety procedures
- Resources are provided to meet the Club's health and safety responsibilities
- All accidents, incidents and dangerous occurrences are properly reported and recorded. This includes informing Ofsted, child protection agencies and the Health and Safety Executive under RIDDOR (Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995) where appropriate.
- All reported accidents, incidents and dangerous occurrences are reviewed, so that preventative measures can be taken.



• Electrical equipment testing is completed.

Responsibilities of the Lead worker

The Club's lead worker is responsible for ensuring that at each session:

- Premises are clean, well lit, adequately ventilated and maintained at an appropriate temperature.
- The premises are used by and solely available to the Club during opening hours.
- All the Club's equipment is safely and securely stored.
- Children are only allowed in the kitchen if properly supervised (eg for a cooking activity)
- A working telephone is always available on the premises.
- Chemicals and cleaning materials are stored appropriately, and in accordance with COSHH data sheets.
- External pathways are cleared in severe weather.
- Daily environment risk assessments/checks are carried out

Security

Children are not allowed to leave the Club premises during the session unless prior permission has been given by the parents.

During Club sessions staff monitor the entrances and exits to the premises throughout the session.

Visitors will never be left alone with the children.

All Staff are dbs'd checked.

Security procedures will be regularly reviewed by the manager, in consultation with staff and parents.

Risk Assessments

Risk assessments are completed for each activity, event, or outing planned. Daily risk assessments are complete prior to the start of each activity session. Personal risk plans will be completed when a risk to an individual member, parent or staff member is identified.

Toys and equipment

All furniture, toys and equipment are kept clean, well maintained and in good repair. We select toys, equipment and resources with care, and we carry out risk assessments before the children are allowed to use them. Broken toys and equipment are disposed of promptly.

We ensure that any flammable equipment is stored safely.

Food and personal hygiene

Staff at Fusion Family and Youth Projects maintain high standards of personal hygiene and take all practicable steps to prevent and control the spread of infection.

- A generally clean environment is always maintained.
- Toilets are cleaned daily and soap and hand drying facilities are always available.



- Staff are trained in food hygiene and follow appropriate guidelines.
- All known allergies will be recorded, communicated, and strictly adhered to in all food planning and preparation.
- Waste is disposed of safely and all bins are kept covered.
- Staff ensure that children wash their hands before handling food or drink and after using the toilet.
- Cuts and abrasions (whether on children or staff) are kept covered.

Dealing with body fluids

Spillages of blood, vomit, urine and faeces will be cleaned up immediately in accordance with our **Intimate Care** policy.

Staffing levels

Staff ratios and levels of supervision are always appropriate to the number, ages and abilities of the children present, and to the risks associated with the activities being undertaken. A minimum of two members of staff are on duty at any time. There is no lone working.

Related policies

See also our related policies: Safeguarding

Reviewing the Policy and Procedure:

This policy and procedure will be reviewed annually or before if there are any changes in legislation, changes within the service or concerns raised. Any changes to the policies will then be shared and read by all staff and volunteers.

This policy was adopted by: Fusion Family and Youth Projects	Date: September 2024
To be reviewed: September 2026	Signed:

Written in accordance with the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (2021): Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements: Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment [3.55-3.65].