

Alcohol and Drugs Policy

In my role as an Ofsted registered Childminder the majority of my work is alone and I have sole responsibility for your child whilst they are in my care. It is imperative that I am fully aware of any dangers and that I am able to protect your child to the best of my ability.

In order for me to do this to the best of my ability I must not be under the influence of alcohol or any form of drugs (including some prescription medication) If I am prescribed medication, other than routine antibiotics, I must inform Ofsted who will make a decision as to whether I can continue to mind whilst taking them. I will not drink any alcohol during minded hours or immediately before.

If you have been drinking alcohol during the time your child is in my care, perhaps entertaining clients, I would prefer if you arranged for another responsible adult to collect your child, especially if you plan to drive home. Alternatively you may call me and I can delay the pick up time if possible.

Children

As we are all aware drugs and alcohol are now far more readily available to younger children nowadays. If I have any concerns that you child maybe involved in alcohol or drugs, whether using them, encouraging them or distributing them, I will discuss the matter with you immediately. I will then work with you to support your child. However, I do reserve the right to terminate our contract with immediate effect if I am concerned that your child's may be putting the children in my care at risk.