EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Early Years Foundation Stage (Learning and Development Requirements) Order 2007 ("the 2007 Order"), the Childcare (Early Years Register) Regulations 2008 ("the 2008 Regulations") and the Early Years Foundation Stage (Welfare Requirements) Regulations 2012 ("the 2012 Regulations").

Regulations 2 and 4 amend the 2007 Order and the 2012 Regulations. In particular, the amendments introduce an updated version of the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage document ("the Document"), which was published by the Department on 3rd March 2017.

Further, the Regulations make amendments to specify the provisions of the Document which have effect for the purposes of the learning and development and welfare requirements and the provisions which early years providers must have regard to when securing that the early years provision they provide meets the learning and development and welfare requirements.

Regulation 3 amends the 2008 Regulations to update the reference to the Document in the definition of "appropriate first aid qualification".

The updated version of the Document is available on the gov.uk website https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2and hard copies of the Document can be viewed at: The Department for Education, Sanctuary Buildings, 20 Great Smith Street, London, SW1P 3BT.

An impact assessment has been prepared in relation to the changes made to the Document. It is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside this instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk.