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Auntie Laura’s Childminding is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of children in our care. This policy outlines our procedures for recruiting staff, aligning with Ofsted requirements.

\*Key Principles:\*

1. \*Safeguarding\*: Ensuring all staff are suitable to work with children.
2. \*Vetting\*: Conducting thorough background checks.
3. \*Verification\*: Verifying qualifications, identity, and previous employment.

\*Recruitment Process:\*

1. \*Job Advertisements\*: Clearly state our commitment to safeguarding and child protection.
2. \*Application Forms\*: Include questions about previous experience, qualifications, and gaps in employment.
3. \*Interviews\*: Assess suitability, qualifications, and experience.
4. \*Reference Checks\*: Verify previous employment and character.
5. \*DBS Checks\*: Conduct Disclosure and Barring Service checks for all staff.
6. \*Qualification Verification\*: Verify relevant qualifications (e.g., Level 3 in Childcare).
7. \*Identity Verification\*: Confirm identity through documentation (e.g., passport, driving license).

\*Pre-Employment Checks:\*

1. \*DBS Certificate\*: Obtain before employment starts.
2. \*Qualification Certificates\*: Verify original certificates.
3. \*Right to Work\*: Confirm eligibility to work in the UK.

\*Induction and Training:\*

1. \*Safeguarding Training\*: Provide training on child protection and safeguarding.
2. \*Policy Awareness\*: Ensure staff understand our policies and procedures.

\*Ongoing Monitoring:\*

1. \*Regular Supervisions\*: Monitor staff performance and address concerns.
2. \*Annual Reviews\*: Assess staff suitability and provide feedback.

\*Record Keeping:\*

1. \*Accurate Records\*: Maintain detailed records of recruitment, vetting, and training.
2. \*Confidentiality\*: Store records securely and confidentially.

By following this policy, Auntie Laura’s Childminding ensures a safe and secure environment for children, staff, and families.

Review and update this policy regularly to ensure compliance with Ofsted requirements and best practices.