

NSPCC review into Home Education

“Learning from Case Reviews”

The NSPCC review was withdrawn within a few weeks of its publication. The review was, at best, speculative and contained no new information on home education serious case reviews. In particular, the content of the case reviews researched by the NSPCC review failed to support the conclusions of the report.

The report was also partial in that it exonerated by omission, the local home education teams of blame whereas the original SCR's were often highly critical of the actions of local authorities.

On several occasions SCRs identified the failure of local authority staff to follow their own procedures as being significant to the case.

To the best of our knowledge, no SCR has ever identified an instance where the child was unknown to the LA.

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