Are you looking after someone else’s child?

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Parents and carers
If you are the parent of a child under 16 or 18 years old if disabled, or any other person involved in a private fostering arrangement of more than 28 days you must tell us about it as soon as possible or you could be fined.
Do you know anybody looking after someone else’s child?

Professionals and neighbours, tell us if you recognise any of these private fostering situations

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Professionals and neighbours
You may work with or come into contact with children under 16 and their families or you could be a neighbour or friend. If you are aware of a private fostering arrangement where a child is living with someone other than their parents for more than 28 days you must tell us about it as soon as possible.