

# FAQ'S: School is constantly ringing me up to ask me to collect my child when he/she is in crisis. Can they do this?

If a school is sending a child home this must be **recorded as a fixed term exclusion**. Informal exclusions (such as sending a child home with parent's consent) are **unlawful**.

For further information about exclusions visit: [www.ace-ed.org.uk](http://www.ace-ed.org.uk)

There are steps that schools can take to avoid exclusions. There are also procedures schools should follow when excluding a child. By law state-maintained schools, academies and pupil referral units **must have regard to Exclusion Guidance produced by the Department for Education** [www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-exclusion](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-exclusion)

Good practice advice on behaviour has been issued to schools by the Department for Education. However, there is no legal requirement on schools to follow this advice. For good practice guidance visit [www.gov.uk/government/publications/behaviour-and-discipline-in-schools](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/behaviour-and-discipline-in-schools)

If your child is being excluded regularly this is often a sign of **unmet needs**. Take a look at the information given for the 'frequently asked question' – What support should school be providing for my child with SEND?



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