Dutch Safety Board publishes report on children in emergency shelters

The Dutch Safety Board published the report "Children in Need" which highlights the risks that long-term stays in emergency shelters pose to the safety, development and stability of children.

COA expressed its agreement with the findings of the report and noted that the recent political choice to provide stable funding to COA, in combination with the implementation of the Dispersion Act, offers the necessary perspective to achieve sufficient reception capacity and a transition from emergency shelter to regular shelter.

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