**Identification of children’s homes for analysis**

Exlcusion of schools, short breaks, adoption agencies, fostering agencies

(n = 369)

Joiners and leavers datasets

(n = 3574)

Exlcusion of schools, short breaks, adoption agencies, fostering agencies

(n = 1088)

Provider at march inspection datasets

(n = 4893)

Full-text articles included from back and forward citation tracking

(n = 1)

Combined unique children’s homes operating between 2014 and 2023

(n = 4,356)

Children’s homes included in analyses

(n = 3,610)

Studies included in present review

(n = 13)

Full-text articles excluded with reasons (eg. Not high-income country setting)

(n = 4)

Removing unidentified for-profit and LA owned companies

(n = 746)