



Small Business Opportunities Business Information Resources

Childcare Services



COBRA (Complete Business Reference Adviser) is an easy to use and clearly written resource providing hundreds of small business idea guides as well as practical how-to factsheets.

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Business Opportunity Profiles

Cover key market and trading issues as well as areas such as sourcing supplies and equipment, pricing & VAT, Health & Safety, relevant legislation, qualifications and skills required.

Childcare Services profiles include:

[Crèche \(Scotland\)](#)
[Day Nursery](#)

[Registered Childminder](#)
[Out-of-school Club \(Scotland\)](#)

Business Information Factsheets

Cover every aspect of starting up and running a business.

Titles include:

[A Guide to Writing a Business Plan](#)
[A Guide to Buying a Business](#)
[A Summary of Sources of Finance for Starting a Business](#)
[A Checklist for Start Up Market Research](#)
[Checklist for First-Time Employers](#)

Sector Guides

Sector guides provide details of a variety of practical information sources, trade bodies, regulators, qualifications, industry resources, statistics and reports.

[Childcare - Sector Update](#)



Business Legal Library

Legislation relating to the Childcare Services industry:
[Applying for Criminal Records Checks in Scotland](#)
[A Guide to Employing Staff Under 18 Years Old](#)
[Business Activities Regulated by Local Authorities](#)
[A Compliance Guide for the Childcare Sector](#)



WHERE KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

[IBISWorld](#) provides access to a comprehensive collection of UK Industry Research Reports and UK Brexit Impact statements.

Titles include:

[Child Day-Care Centres in the UK](#)
[Arrow Pre-Primary Education in the UK](#)

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[ProQuest](#) provides access to trade journals, magazines, newspaper articles, market research and more.

Titles include:

Journal of Comparative Family Studies
Maternal and Child Health Journal
The International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy
Politics and Government week

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