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The Revised 2nd edition of the Play Safety Forum's 'Managing Risk in Play Provision' is now available to download.

The guidance explains how play providers can take a sensible approach to managing risk, which allows children to experience challenging play opportunities while keeping them safe from danger.

The publication is based on the premise that an element of risk in play is inevitable and can actually be beneficial to children. Risk helps children to explore their limitations and develop resilience. In her recent report on child health, the Chief Medical Officer described building resilience as an invaluable early intervention: 'By exposing young people to low doses of challenges, in safe and supported environments, we strengthen their ability to act effectively later in life'.

The guide shows how play providers can use an approach to risk assessment that balances the benefits of an activity with any inherent risk, thus fully taking into account and encouraging the benefits to children and young people of challenging play experiences. It will be invaluable for those who manage spaces and settings in which children play, and for those involved in designing and maintaining them.

'Managing Risk in Play Provision: An implementation guide' is available at:
www.playengland.org.uk/managingrisk - See more at:

<http://www.shponline.co.uk/news/news/full/revised-guidance-for-play-providers-explains-the-benefit-of-managed-risk#sthash.zKJmE2oi.dpuf>



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