

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION UPDATE



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2009 Audit



The Child Protection Audit is scheduled for September 14-18, 2009. The auditors will be on-sight verifying our materials and conducting interviews with various individuals. As I've mentioned previously, the auditors will be conducting parish/school audits also. We will be finalizing preparations for the audit over the next 2 weeks and those locations who are chosen for this visit will be notified. I have posted *A Parish Self-Assessment Guide* on the diocesan website under Resources: Child Protection, which will assist you with your preparation. If you have any questions, please contact me.

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Children's Educational Component



It is the time of year to schedule the Children's Educational Presentation for the 2009-2010 year. Some of you have already submitted Form 1 to us...THANK YOU! As always we recommend that you schedule these by September 15th so that you have more options with the dates. I have included the Educational Program for School-Age Children contact sheet for your convenience. Although this was emailed out previously, please make sure to replace the old version in your Child Protection Procedures Manual. If you are not the individual to schedule these, please make sure to pass this information along to your Principal and/or Catechetical Leader.

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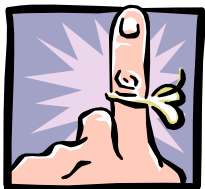
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Tidbits

14029 individuals have gone through the Initial Child Protection Policy Training!

5015 individuals have completed the 08-09 Refresher Course: Bullying!

Initial Child Protection Policy Trainings— Many are scheduled throughout the diocese, see diocesan website under Diocesan Events.

All forms should be sent and processed through the Office of Child Protection. All checks should be payable to the Diocese of Belleville.



Refresher Course

Continue to use the 2008-2009 Bullying Refresher Course until a new course is available for any individuals who are in need of a refresher course. If an individual has already completed the 2008-2009 Bullying course they will remain compliant with the training aspect until a new course is available.



CANTS prior to 11/31/2007 will need to be updated.

CI prior to 11/31/2004 will need to be updated.

I will provide more information to you as soon as it available for a new course.

What are People Saying?

- I learned a lot and I would recommend this class to everybody who has little children or work with them in any way, shape or form.
- Wasn't sure if I really needed this class or not-since I am a registered nurse. However, I found it very useful and glad that I attended.
- Thorough program.
- Very informative. More info as available.
- "Child Abuse-Responsibilities, Recognizing and Reporting" booklet is excellent.
- More needs to be said about background checks and how priests are handled.

Key to Report

SS#	If we have a Social Security Number on file, x's will appear in this column for confidentiality. If blank, we do not have a social security number on file.
Birthdat	Individuals date of birth
CANTS	Date DCFS cleared the individual as having "no priors"
Vol	Date the individual signed the volunteer application
Employ	Date the individual signed the employment application
CI	Date that a background check was completed
InitialPol	Date the individual attended the Child Protection Policy Training
07-08Refresh	Date the individual attended the 2007-2008 Refresher Course: Internet Safety
08-09Refresh	Date the individual completed the 2008-2009 Refresher Course: Bullying
Testimon	For religious men and women only; Date in which we received their testimonial
St	Individual's status (A=Active, I=Inactive, T=Terminated, U=Unknown, R=Retired, D=Deceased)
Position	Position the individual holds at your location (ie...volunteer, employee, coach, PSR educator, Youth Ministry Chair, educator, TEC, Quest, Luke 18 etc...)
Yellow	Individual is out of compliance-needs to update a CANTS or CI, Initial Training is missing
Gray	Individual is still compliant, but will need to update the CANTS or CI within 3 months.

Posting

You may recall in a memo dated July 10, 2003 it was requested to include the following statement in your parish bulletin once a month. Please continue this request and if you have a bulletin that you would like to share with me showing its inclusion, it would be great to show the auditors. The dates would need to be between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009. I would appreciate any copies prior to September 14th.

SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE: Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline: 800-640-3044.