

## SAFEGUARDING GOD’S CHILDREN and PEOPLE

The Episcopal Diocese of Dallas is committed to ensuring that its churches, schools, and institutions live out our Baptismal promises by providing an environment free of abuse, exploitation, and harassment. The Diocese of Dallas provides resources to ensure that every person’s dignity is respected and protected. For more information regarding Safeguarding programs, please contact Deacon Pam Dunbar, Missioner for Christian Formation and Youth Ministries.

If you would like to check on your Safeguarding Certification Status, or have any questions regarding the Safeguarding program at your parish or school, please contact Deacon Pamela Dunbar, Missioner for Christian Formation and Youth Ministries, [pdunbar@edod.org](mailto:pdunbar@edod.org).

### SAFEGUARDING – Who Needs Certification?

#### #1 Safeguarding God’s Children

- ◆ This course is available online. Contact your parish Safeguarding Online Administrator for the access codes.
- ◆ There are four modules: “Meet Sam”, “It Happened to Me”, “Keeping Your Church Safe”, and “Policies – CPG Diocese of Dallas”

#### #2 Safeguarding God’s People: *Preventing Sexual Exploitation in Communities of Faith*

- ◆ This course is available online. Contact your parish Safeguarding Online Administrator for the access codes.
- ◆ There are two modules: “Preventing Sexual Exploitation – for Ministries” and “Preventing Sexual Exploitation – for Congregations”

#### #3 Safeguarding God’s People: *Preventing Sexual Harassment of Church Workers*

- ◆ This course is available online. Contact your parish Safeguarding Online Administrator for the access codes.
- ◆ There are two modules: “Preventing Sexual Harassment – for Workers” and “Preventing Sexual Harassment – for Supervisors”

#### WHO IS REQUIRED TO TAKE THESE COURSES?

	#1	#2	#3
Anyone who has a key to the church	✓		
Any volunteer who works with children	✓		
Volunteer nursery workers	✓		
Key lay leaders	✓	✓	
Paid nursery members	✓	✓	✓
Participants in the discernment process	✓	✓	✓
Paid Staff members	✓	✓	✓
Vestry members	✓	✓	✓
Clergy	✓	✓	✓

**All persons described above must be re-certified every three years.**

Workshop-style training is also available for parishes for all three of these courses. Contact Deacon Pam Dunbar to make arrangements.

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