



Roman Catholic Diocese of Paterson

Office of Child and Youth Protection

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POLICIES AND PROCEDURES CONCERNING CHILD PROTECTION:

Can be found at : <http://rcdop.org/docs-child-protection>

1. **Code of Pastoral Conduct: “Living and Working with Integrity”** defines the rules and standards for behavior.
 2. **Safe Environment Policy: “Affirming Our Integrity”** describes the policies on background checks, child protection training, standards of behavior required of the children, and policy and procedures for reporting abuse.
 3. **Policy for Communications with Minors via Social Media and Other Electronic Communications** describes requirements and guidelines for technology related communications.
 4. **Diocesan Policy for Reports of Complaints of Sexual Abuse.**
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OTHER INTERNET LINKS:

- www.virtusonline.org “Protecting God’s Children” website containing useful information, links and resources about child protection.
 - <http://www.nj.gov/dcf/contact/dcpplocal/> NJ Department of Children Protection & Permanency website and abuse reporting.
 - www.usccb.org United States Catholic Bishops Conference: click “Child and Youth Protections” link at bottom of page.
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OPTIONAL ONGOING TRAINING THROUGH AN ONLINE PROGRAM:

Our Diocese uses the VIRTUS Online system to provide you with optional ongoing web-based training. This is done through an online system that sends you regular training bulletins. These training bulletins and modules cover many topics related to child protection.

There is no cost to you to enroll and receive these bulletins. The Diocese of Paterson is happy to pay the costs associated with this program for your enrollment, so we can all better protect children.

To enroll: please send an email to PGC@patersondiocese.org with the subject “enroll me in online training” and you will begin to get the monthly bulletins. You will be enrolled as long as you continue to read them and answer the multiple choice question after each article.

We are happy to hear from you - please don’t hesitate to contact the Diocesan Child and Youth Protection Office with your comments, suggestions, problems, etc. PGC@patersondiocese.org or 973-777-8818 X 257.
