

NEWS, TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Further training and development was planned for 2020 however because of Covid–19 these sessions have not been possible. As soon as the safeguarding department is in the position to do so this training and development will be rearranged. However, please see what training was provided in 2019.

Events that took place during 2019, included a clergy day in April regarding communication on safeguarding matters, safeguarding support meetings for PSRs and RSLs in June and July, our annual Safeguarding Conference on the theme of Spiritual Abuse in October and an Autism Awareness course in November.

We received the following feedback from the Safeguarding Conference – ‘excellent’, ‘very informative’, ‘interesting and helpful’, ‘well presented with enthusiasm and conviction’, ‘high quality professional presentation that was engaging and thought provoking’, ‘thought provoking and inspirational’, ‘constructive and enabling’.

TOWARDS A CULTURE OF SAFEGUARDING

The Church has a responsibility to ensure that all those who undertake work in the name of the Church are adequately trained in safeguarding matters. The Catholic Church is dependent on Clergy, Religious and Lay people using their skills and talents to nurture and support the Catholic community. Some will be paid employees, but the majority undertake their work on a voluntary basis. Whilst some will recognise their role as a volunteer, many rightly see their caring and support contribution as part of their Christian responsibility and ministry. But we all have a role to play in safeguarding the young or adults who may be at risk and it is for this reason that the Catholic Church in England and Wales has worked with **EduCare** to bring you an e-learning package that will raise awareness throughout the Catholic Community in our countries.

This e-learning package is part of the Church’s commitment to safeguarding, and is available to all members of the Catholic community **free of charge**.

How do you access this training resource?

1. Email Lorraine Elks at safeguardingadmin@northamptondiocese.com to register your interest.
2. Your email should contain your name, email address, the name of your parish/order/congregation, and your role. For example: Priest, Member of the Religious, Safeguarding Representative, Youth Worker, Teacher, SVP or Other Volunteers, Parent/Grandparent/Guardian, or Other.
3. On receipt of your email the safeguarding support officer will register your email address with EduCare.
4. You will receive a Welcome Email from EduCare where you will set your password.

5. You will then have access to the training programmes.

ADDITIONAL ONLINE SAFEGUARDING TRAINING RESOURCES

The safeguarding office is pleased to promote the following e-learning training that is available for anyone across the Diocese to access.

The **Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children Partnership** offers a wide range of online safeguarding training modules including;

Awareness of Domestic Violence and Abuse,
Awareness of Forced Marriages,
Child Poverty,
Child Sexual Exploitation,
E-safety,
Fabricated Illness,
FGM,
Gang Related Issues and County Lines,
Hidden Harm – the effects of parental problem substance use on children,
Level 1 Safeguarding Children,
Level 2 Safeguarding Children,
Level 3 Safeguarding Children,
LGBT Awareness,
Modern Slavery and Trafficking,
Radicalisation and Extremism,
Safeguarding and Leadership,
Safeguarding Children in Education,
Safeguarding Children Refresher training,
Safer Recruitment,
Safer Sleeping for Babies,
Self- Harm,
Sexual Health,
Suicidal Thoughts,
Supporting Teenagers and Young People,
Toxic Trio,
Working with Children with Learning Difficulties and Disabilities.

Details as to how to register for this e-learning training can be accessed here: [**Introduction to E-learning document for NSCP.**](#)