

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF ARIZONA

Policies and Procedures

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT PREVENTION POLICY

Any employee of the parish, any volunteer who has regular contact with children and any clergyperson, licensed or canonically resident in the diocese, is required to have the approved sexual misconduct prevention training. It is also required that your Vestry members, on a yearly basis, review the training materials and diocesan policy and document that fact in the minutes of that meeting. Each Vestry member must be aware of this diocesan policy. It is also the Bishop's policy that everyone takes a "refresher" course at least once every five years.

For Mission Congregations, documentation of compliance with this requirement, consisting principally of certification of completion of the required training, must be kept on file permanently at the church and the Diocesan Office. For Parish Congregations, documentation of compliance with this requirement, also consisting principally of certification of completion of the required training, must be kept on file at the church permanently. All clergy must provide documentation of compliance to the Diocesan Office that will be kept in their clergy file permanently.

If you need assistance with this sexual misconduct prevention-training requirement, please contact The Rev. Dr. David Davidson-Methot at ddmithot@yahoo.com.