

Date

Code

Pre-Test

Creating Safe Environments for Our Children

Date of Birth

Parish / School / Program

Please circle all that apply:

Volunteer


Catholic School
Teacher / Admin.

Parish / School
Employee

Diocesan
Employee

Clergy

Parent

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1. According to leading theory, which preconditions must be present for sexual abuse to occur?
 - a. An adult with a motivation to abuse.
 - b. Decrease in the adult's internal inhibitions.
 - c. An environment which allows unsupervised access to children.
 - d. Break down in resistance of the child.
 - e. All of the above.
 2. The Diocesan Safe Environment Program reduces the risk for abuse through all of the following strategies except:
 - a. Background screening of clergy, staff, and volunteers.
 - b. Training of clergy, staff, and volunteers in safe environment principles.
 - c. Education of children and parents.
 - d. Adherence to a Code of Conduct by all who have regular contact with children / youth.
 - e. Requiring direct parental supervision of children at all times while on church / school premises.
 3. Which of the following is likely to impair an adult's use of good judgment in dealing with children?
 - a. Regular consultation with a supervisor.
 - b. Use of alcohol / drugs.
 - c. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle.
 - d. Knowing one's limitations / vulnerabilities.
 - e. Seeking help for emotional problems.
 4. Background screening and training is required of all adults who work with children for all of the following reasons except:
 - a. Keeping our children safe is a priority.
 - b. Children and parents must not only be safe, but must feel safe in our programs.
 - c. Everyone is suspected to be a perpetrator.
 - d. Consistent practices help identify when some thing "isn't right" before a child is harmed.
 - e. Children and adolescents "do better" when they grow up in communities where everyone looks out for them.
 4. Sexual abuse can directly impact the development of child victims in which of the following areas? Circle all that apply.
 - a. Cognitive / Decision-making
 - b. Emotional
 - c. Social / Relationship
 - d. Spiritual
 - e. Physical
 6. To maintain appropriate boundaries in our interactions with children and youth we must do which of the following? Circle all that apply.
 - a. Avoid physical contact that might be misinterpreted.
 - b. Avoid any covert or overt sexual behaviors.
 - c. Respect boundaries established by youth.
 - d. Respond effectively to inappropriate boundaries of youth.
 - e. Maintain focus on the purpose of interactions with youth.
 7. Because of our position of authority, when working with youth it is important that we:
 - a. Recognize our role as representative of God and the Church.
 - b. Avoid use of coercion, including excessive flattery.
 - c. Use descriptive praise and logical consequences.
 - d. Avoid dual relationships / potential conflicts of interest.
 - e. All of the above.
 8. If a child discloses abuse, it is important that we:
 - a. Remain calm and respond in a supportive manner.
 - b. Communicate that the child is not at fault.
 - c. Listen without interrupting.
 - d. Report the abuse to appropriate authorities.
 - e. All of the above.

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