

Dear Colleagues,

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It has been a long-standing goal of the Office of Child Youth and Adult Protection to offer “Online Safe Environment Training” to our clergy, employees and volunteers. You have read in the ICR that online SEW Renewal Training would be offered in our diocese. It has taken countless hours of reviewing training videos, testing for reliability and making sure that the vendor selected met the criteria of our Catholic Teaching.

For years our diocese has had a partnership with Catholic Mutual, the leading provider of Risk Management services in the United States. Their new safe environment training curriculum is a natural fit and a perfect solution for our diocese.

“**CMGConnect**” has been selected as our exclusive online training program at no additional cost to the parishes or schools. They have features in their program that other vendors do not. For example, they have tools imbedded into the program to help with the data collection for the USCCB Annual Audit Charter For The Protection of Youth and Young Persons. Another option that is really great about **CMGConnect** is that their training modules are available in both Spanish and English.

CMGConnect offers a platform for each parish/school to track the current Safe Environment Training status as well as Background Check status for their community. Designated administrators will have access to reports by logging onto **CMGConnect**. Each parish/school will be able to run reports that will provide real-time information.

CMGConnect is committed to our mission to continue offering safe environment training in our diocese.

Safe Environment Solutions:

- ✓ Provides stimulating online training content with real-life scenarios
- ✓ Identifies abuse and neglect situations volunteers and employees may encounter
- ✓ Quiz questions between each of the three segments help identify and strengthen learning points
- ✓ Includes personal experiences from teachers and subject-matter experts from around the country
- ✓ Additional learning content related to pornography, social media and working with vulnerable adults

In addition to this, **CMGConnect** helps with the USCCB Charter Requirements:

- ✓ Compliance tool matching Charter C/D from the USCCB compliance audit
- ✓ Allows tracking of online training, as well as live training sessions
- ✓ Allows tracking of “**Circle of Grace**” training for youth K-12
- ✓ Provides audit completion tool and automatically characterizes data into defined roles per USCCB guidelines (i.e., Priest, Deacon, In Formation, Employee, Volunteer, Educator etc.)

Training is convenient:

- ✓ Allows people to train in a time convenient for them without sacrificing content

- ✓ Training sessions are automatically saved if the trainee gets interrupted
- ✓ Easy to use instructions for the end user
- ✓ System will remind both the end user and the administrator of each parish/school when renewal of safe environment training and background checks are due

The Safe Environment Instruction Flyer (SE Instruction Flyer). These instructions will walk the attendee through the setup process establishing their own profile. Their profile will automatically link to their parish/school and will be used in future training sessions. All diocesan employee and volunteer will need to create their own accounts. The designated person at the parish/school will be able to track who has completed the online training.

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The video brochure provides specific information about what the adult online safe environment training covers.

Please know that I am here to help you through this process, as is **CMGConnect**.
God Bless you.

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