SRA TALK

September 19, 2017

Welcome

Do we have some folks from Houston on the call? Want to let you know we are thinking of you...and want to extend you every bit of room you need and assistance during the aftermath...

1. Modification in application for SGC and SGP

- A. Full legal name is required, so be sure to check for it.
- B. Middle name is required if they have one.
- C. Can now check a box indicating they don't have a middle name if they don't have one.

2. Information from First Advantage regarding Equifax breach and how that affects our Background Checks.

- A. The Social Security part of Background Checks is where you might hear concern.
- B. We received some information from First Advantage:
 - a. What information was impacted that relates to us:
 - i. "The only data impacted by this event were consumers who engaged directly with Equifax's online consumer dispute portal."
 - b. Additional Information:
 - i. "Equifax has found no evidence of unauthorized activity on Equifax's core consumer or commercial credit reporting databases ..."

3. Remember to read and review the Social Security notes at the top of a background check. (See attached page for examples).

- A. First Advantage does not check a person's credit, but they are instead checking to see what name, SS# and address this person used for applying for credit. If a name has changed or an address has changed, they may note a discrepancy. They will also alert you if the SS# does not look like it might be that person's number.
- B. You can check with a person to see if they indeed used a more developed name, or a name prior to it changing, or if they actually had an additional address. As well, you can check with the Safeguarding Office for further information to verify that they used the correct SS#.
- C. Once you understand the discrepancy, if there is no real problem, note that you have resolved the discrepancy or have reviewed it with the Rector/Head of Church, School or Organization, and that approval was received.
- D. Call the Safeguarding Office for assistance in interpreting any remarks that you don't understand.

- 4. Do we have any SRAs representing Schools on the call? If so...
 - A. Review of School pages on Safeguarding pages of Diocesan Website: http://www.epicenter.org/safeguarding/school-safeguarding/
 - B. Sidebar also has links to: School Safeguarding_ Administrative Change Form Annual Safeguarding Report Reporting Guidelines for Schools
 - C. Annual School Safeguarding Report originally due October 1st, now due November 1st. If you need any further time, please let the Safeguarding office know. We will be glad to work with you.

5. Churches and Missional Communities have their Annual Report due at the time of a Bishop's visit. You can find the form on the Diocesan Safeguarding webpages here: <u>Safeguarding Certification Annual Status Report</u>

6. "I Know" is available. You will find it on the sidebar for the Safeguarding pages on the Diocesan website.

Student Safeguarding I KNOW! Grades K-4 I KNOW! Grades 5-7

7. Remember the <u>SRS Manual</u>. It has many helps for you.

8. Recertification

- A. The Recertification track instructions are also available on the SRS Manual page. Directions for SRS Recertification Tracks
- B. Mid-October the recertification utilizing the online modules, for those who have never certified in SRS but are recertifying, will be available.
- 7. Questions from the group: