

## Safe Environments for Children Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh

### Requirements for those 18 years of age or older participating in Chimbote Mission Trip

1. **Safe Environment Database:** Register on the home page of the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh website, [www.diopitt.org](http://www.diopitt.org), under Protecting God's Children on the left side of screen on tab titled "Safe Environment Database."
2. **Protecting God's Children Workshop:** Two options for completing this requirement:
  - a. **Live Session** – Register for a 3 hour class on [www.diopitt.org](http://www.diopitt.org), click on "Live Training Locations / Registration for Protecting God's Children/Virtus." This can be taken at one of many sessions offered at various locations around the Diocese.
  - b. **Online Session** – Register for an online session at [www.diopitt.org](http://www.diopitt.org), click on "Online Registration for Protecting God's Children/Virtus." This is also a 3 hour session.
3. **PA Child Abuse History Certification:** Volunteers are free of charge; apply at <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home>.
4. **PA Online Mandated Reporter Training:** [www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu](http://www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu) Two options for completing this requirement:
  - a. **Live Session** – Register for a 3 hour class on [www.diopitt.org](http://www.diopitt.org), click on "Live Training Registration for Mandated Reporters of Child Abuse."
  - b. **Online Session** – Register for a 3 hour (10 segments) session on [www.diopitt.org](http://www.diopitt.org), click on "Online Training for Mandated Reporters of Child Abuse." Each segment can be saved when completed so the course can be taken over time.
5. **FBI Certification** – Two options for completing this requirement:
  - a. **For Volunteers who have lived in PA for at least 10 consecutive years and have not committed a disqualifiable crime:** Sign a Disclosure Statement Application for Volunteers (attached document). This is signed by yourself and a witness.
  - b. **Volunteers who have NOT lived in PA for at least 10 consecutive years and/or have committed a disqualifiable crime:** Must get an FBI Fingerprint Certification; 2-step process: Register at [https://pa-aps.3m.com/perlpub/registration\\_welfare\\_pci.pl](https://pa-aps.3m.com/perlpub/registration_welfare_pci.pl) and then take the registration number to a Fingerprint site [https://www.pa.cogentid.com/ohio/DPW/DPW\\_map/DPW\\_Regions\\_Clickable.html](https://www.pa.cogentid.com/ohio/DPW/DPW_map/DPW_Regions_Clickable.html)

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