

## Presbytery of Donegal Volunteers Applying for Clearances – Revised 01/2020

### Act 34 Pennsylvania Criminal History Check – every 5 years

This is an online procedure; Cost is FREE for Volunteers.

[www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov/resources/clearances/pspcrimck/index.htm](http://www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov/resources/clearances/pspcrimck/index.htm)

Click <https://epatch.state.pa.us/Home.jsp>.

Go to “New Record Check.” Follow the online instructions. When your results have processed, record your control number for future reference. Click on the control number to access your official clearance.

**The clearance certificate will not be available again after you view it. Print and save the certificate immediately.**

Please submit a copy of the certificate to the Church or Presbytery and keep a copy for your records.

### CY113 Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Check – every 5 years

This is an online procedure; Cost is FREE for Volunteers.

[www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov/resources/clearances/pachildhistory/index.htm](http://www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov/resources/clearances/pachildhistory/index.htm)

The Pennsylvania Child Abuse History clearance can be submitted and paid for online through the Child Welfare Information Solution (CWIS) self-service portal. Submitting an application online allows individual applicants to receive their results through an automated system that will notify them once their results have been processed. Applicants will be able to view and print their results online.

Click [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home).

Create an account or log in to an existing account. You will need an email address to create an account.

Follow the online instructions. You will receive an email with a temporary password to use with your Keystone ID.

In order to log in, click “Access My Clearances” to be directed to log in page. Then, “Create a Clearance Application.”

For Application Purpose, select “Volunteer having contact with children.” Volunteer category is “Other.” You will receive an email to confirm your submission and an email once results have processed. Record your e-Clearance ID so you can access your results again. Print and save your certificate. Please submit a copy of the certificate to the Church or Presbytery and keep a copy for your records.

### Act 114 FBI Criminal History Report – every 5 years

[www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov/resources/clearances/fbifinger/index.htm](http://www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov/resources/clearances/fbifinger/index.htm)

There are two ways to attain this clearance.

#### **1. Residents of PA for the past 10 years...**

You may submit a signed and notarized affidavit (<http://tinyurl.com/volunteeraffidavit>) stating you have not been convicted of an offense under State Statute 6344.

#### **2. Anyone who lived outside PA within the past 10 years...**

You must be fingerprinted. Cost is \$22.60. You must register prior to fingerprinting. Register at

<https://uenroll.identogo.com/> For Service Code enter: **1KG738**. You will receive a confirmation number. Record your confirmation number.

Fingerprinting locations are listed online. On the day of fingerprinting, take valid driver’s license or another approved photo ID & your confirmation number

Your results will be mailed to you. Please submit a copy of the report to the Church or Presbytery and keep a copy for your records.

### Mandated Reporter Training – every 5 years

***This training is for all volunteers who work with children/youth weekly and/or overnight.***

***This training is RECOMMENDED for all volunteers.***

Most volunteers are mandated (required) to report child abuse under the new law.

Training will: 1) define mandated reporters vs. permissive reporters (those who choose to report)  
2) teach procedure for reporting suspected child abuse

This is free online training designed to take 3 hours. Go to [www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu](http://www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu).