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Presbyterian Youth Triennium 2025

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Background Check Guidelines

BACKGROUND CHECK POLICY

As a component of abuse prevention for the 2025 Presbyterian Youth Triennium, all adults who attend Triennium are required to complete the official PYT background check process prior to and within six months of the event. This includes all Adult Advisors, Young Adults, Caregivers, Global Partner Adult Advisors, and Global Partner Young Adult participants. This also includes all PYT staff, leaders, and volunteers.

Background checks are conducted using Praesidium, Inc., a highly regarded, well-reputed company that works with several national organizations to provide abuse prevention screening and training. Praesidium, Inc. has worked extensively with the Presbyterian Youth Triennium and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to develop comprehensive abuse prevention training, screening, and resources.

The PYT National Registrar manages background checks for adult participants. The PYT Volunteer Coordinator manages background checks for PYT staff, leaders, and volunteers. The Triennium Director and PC(USA) Risk Management Coordinator serve as an additional reviewing team.

Background check reports are kept in a secure location and held in confidence. Only staff of the Office of Presbyterian Youth & Triennium (or HR in the case of background check reports for fellow denominational staff members) will have access to the background check reports. If there is a situation during the event that requires a report to be checked, it will only be viewed by the Office of Presbyterian Youth & Triennium staff. If follow-up action is necessary (i.e. litigation, investigation) the report would be subject to viewing by attorneys from the respective denomination.

Please note, there are no exceptions to this policy. Background checks run outside of the PYT process will not be accepted and registration could be put on hold if a background check report is not completed using the required process.

BACKGROUND CHECK STEPS for Delegations

1. Registrars submit their *Delegation Information Spreadsheet* to Analise. Please note, first name, last name, and an email address are required for all adult participants for the background check process.
2. Registrars complete and pay for their delegation's registration online.
3. Once registration and payment are complete, Analise will begin the background check process for your delegation's adult participants within in the next few business days.

4. Registrars should let their adult participants know this is happening and they will be required to complete the process.
5. Adult participants will receive an email from Praesidium, Inc. with instructions for completing their background check process. They will have 14 days to complete this check before it expires.
6. Unless there is a question or a flag with a report, the process will be complete.

QUESTIONS OR HELP?

Registrars and participants can contact the National Registrar, Analise Brown, with any questions or concerns regarding the background check process.

Analise Brown

Analise.Brown@pcusa.org

(502) 537-1407 [text/cell]

(502) 569-5208

PYT staff, leaders, and volunteers can contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Heather Leoncini, with any questions or concerns regarding the background check process.

Heather Leoncini

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(502) 569-5460

If you are having technical issues completing your background check, please contact Praesidium, Inc.

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