

CPS/BCSA 2019 CHILD PROTECTION SEMINAR DATES AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

The 2019 Child Protection Solutions/BCSA seminars have been revised and will now consist of a streamlined intensive consisting of a 5.5 hour program, replacing the previous 7 hour Child Safe Environments program, which for BCSA churches included additional CPS modules not included in the basic CSE program. The former SA Government CSE program has now been replaced with the new “Through Their Eyes” program.

Whilst CPS presenters are accredited SA Government “Through Their Eyes” trainers, as the Director of Professional Standards for BCSA, I have advised the State Executive Minister that the new 7 hour “Through Their Eyes” program lacks important content, and on multiple levels falls well short of the recommended CPS/BCSA standard of training. Unlike previous years CPS obtained approval to include additional specialist modules in the CSE program, however the new program no longer has provision for this to occur to the required level.

For those requiring the now “THROUGH THEIR EYES” certificate level training, we will be offering an initial two “THROUGH THEIR EYES” seminars in 2019 and will provide additional seminars based on demand.

The previously established standard of completing a CPS/BCSA - CSE 7 hour seminar followed by a 3 hour update every three years will remain the same. For those who hold a current CSE certificate, they will simply be required to attend an update prior to the expiry of their current certificate as per the previous standard.

The new CPS/BCSA 5.5 hour intensive seminar in no way compromises our well established training standard. It is important to note that the CPS/BCSA training model is strategically designed and in addition to the customised seminars is supported via:

- Unlimited “on-tap” child protection & professional standards consultancy and support. (Including 24/7 crisis response consultancy)
- Additional intermediate through to advanced levels of training provided on multiple levels across BCSA churches.
- The new on-line child protection orientation seminar.
 - *This seminar is designed to provide an introductory/orientation child protection overview for those people who have been screened and selected by their church leadership and passed a criminal history check, but not yet attended and completed the required state/church-based training requirements.*
 - *There may be times where seminars may be booked out, sometimes re-scheduled or the participant is unable to attend the next available seminar. This on-line component serves as a bridging component and permits the individual to commence their ministry as a “helper” or “assistant” pending completion of the required state/church-based training.*

- The new on-line child sex offender awareness seminar.
 - *This seminar focuses on the different types of child sex offenders and how they think, operate, groom, target and infiltrate churches.*
 - *Although this level of training is embedded into the CPS/BCSA face to face training, it provides another avenue at an introductory level for church leadership teams such as Ministry teams, Elders, Board, Governance and Council members as well as parents.*
 - *This seminar can also be utilised by those who have attended and completed accredited training outside of the CPS/BCSA training and decline the opportunity to attend CPS/BCSA training.*

NOTE: These on-line modules are additional support components only and DO NOT replace our face to face training standards/requirements.

Update seminars will meet both BCSA and “Through Their Eyes” accreditation and will only be offered as evening sessions in 2019.

NOTE:

Seminar dates marked “**OPEN**” at the time of this release are available for churches to book and host at their location.

If seminars marked “**OPEN**” are not booked by a church to host by March 01 they will be conducted at the Baptist Centre in Unley.

More information will be released re the new format, however for your immediate information the time tables will be:

CPS/BCSA 5.5 Hour Seminars:

8.45 am	Registration
9.00am	Start
10.30am	Short Break
12.30pm	Lunch (30 Mins)
2.30pm	Finish

DCP 7 Hour Accredited Seminars

8.45 am	Registration
9.00am	Start
11.00 am	Short Break
1.00pm	Lunch (30 Mins)
2.30pm	Short break
4.00pm	Finish

CPS/BCSA Standard/DCP Accredited 3 Hour update seminars:

Evening sessions only
7 – 10pm