

**BCSA/BUNT INTERIM
CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING STRATEGY CONFIRMATION:**

In relation to my previous email forwarded to all CPCO's and pastors on 08/04/20 I can now confirm the process in relation to the BCSA Interim Child Protection Training Strategy.

Please note that all existing training standards and requirements as per The BCSA child protection policy apply, with the exception of three month extensions in relation to expired certificates through this period.

6 Hour (Full Day) Equivalent On-Line 9 Module seminar:

This seminar temporarily replaces the full day/6 Hour face to face seminar.

Understanding & Responding to Child Abuse & Exploitation 9 Module Seminar
Includes: Customised Child Sex Offender Awareness Modules –
“Making Children & the Church Safe”

The process:

CPCO's to advise the DPS of the names and email addresses of those to be registered for the on-line seminar.

This is all that will be required of CPCO's other than to file and distribute certificates that I will forward to you upon completion of the process. I/CPS will coordinate and manage all other aspects of this process.

- DPS will register the participants via the CPS webfaction platform
- Each participant will then receive a confirmation email
- The email will include:
 - A link to the site
 - Individual password
 - SA/NT legislation reading material
 - CPS Child Protection Resource book
 - Assessment papers x 2
 - All other relevant information

Participants will have 14 days to access and view the on-line seminar once registered. The seminar does not have to be viewed in one sitting. Extensions beyond the 14 day access period can be arranged upon request if required. Assessment papers are to be forwarded to the DPS for correction and feedback. Once completed, certificates will be forwarded to CPCO's for record and distribution. The DPS can be contacted at any time throughout the process (by CPCO's or participants) for support and assistance on 0433567912 or info@childprotectionsolutions.com.au

Please note that if participants attempt to download or provide non registered people access to the site it will shut down and you will need to seek a new access code.

Update/Refresher Seminars:

In terms of update/refresher training, we are combining the:

- BCSA pre recorded Online Sex Offender Awareness Seminar (SOA) with a
- Live online Zoom update seminar

The SOA seminar is a 30 minute pre-recorded presentation, and the live Zoom component will be a 1.5 hour session, plus question time. The SOA seminar has been one component of the existing online child protection support seminar strategy, initially designed as a bridging seminar for those who have completed training outside of the BCSA model, but acceptable to BCSA.

The live Zoom component allows not only the provision to provide refresher and updated information, but also creates a degree of "connection" ensuring interaction, support and Q&A on the spot.

CPCO's can advise update participants of the process and access code for the SOA presentation.

Access is via the **Baptist Churches SA website**.

Under **Ministries** and **Child Protection Solutions** headings participants will find (at the top of the page) **On Line Support seminars**.

The code for the SOA seminar is: soa2019

Update participants will need to view this seminar prior to undertaking the live Zoom update component.

Bookings for the Zoom update sessions can be made by contacting me by email: info@childprotectionsolutions.com.au

The cost of all training for BCSA churches is covered by BCSA.

The only cost to participants is a modest \$5.50 fee (Inc GST) which churches will need to collect from participants. Churches will receive a monthly invoice and be able to reclaim the GST component.

This fee covers certificate admin costs, BCSA/CPS (PDF) Child Protection resource book, administration and IT platform fees.

Once booked in participants will receive an email and invite to the update Zoom seminar.

Update Zoom seminar dates for April-November.

All Zoom seminars will commence at 7.pm

Tues April	28
Tues May	5
Tues May	12
Tues May	19
Tues May	26
Tues June	02
Tues June	09
Tues July	07
Wed July	08
Tues Aug	11
Tues Sept	15
Tues Oct	13
Tues Nov	09

Please note (as previously advised) the Federal and State Governments have made no concessions or changes in relation to existing requirements in this space in terms of Working With Children's Checks, Screening and Training.

A common question I am being asked relates to the fact that face to face programs are not being conducted at present, so how does this all relate to those involved in delivering on-line children's /youth programs.

I can answer this in two parts:

Persons involved in the delivery of on-line programs must meet all the requirements as per the BCSA Child Protection Policy as they stand. In other words, the same requirements apply.

2/ Although there are no face to face programs at this time, people cannot afford not to undertake the relevant level of training at the initial or update levels in readiness for the return of face to face training.

Some future components of the BCSA training model "may" involve additional on-line support components, however a real strength of the BCSA model (based on overwhelming feedback) is that face to face training is far superior to on-line training. Having said that we will be monitoring this interim model and seeking feedback via CPCO (Zoom) support meetings and surveys.

If you need to clarify any aspects of the interim training strategy, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Again, sincerest thanks and appreciation for all that you do!

God bless & regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carl Collins', followed by a horizontal line.

Carl Collins
Director Professional Standards BCSA/BUNT

