

MinistrySafe, the official abuse prevention system for all churches in Central Texas Conference is very important to all of us. This newsletter will provide you with helpful information for your use.

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MinistrySafe for Licensed Daycares and Schools

The MinistrySafe system of abuse prevention provides resources and policies for a variety of different types of child-serving organizations, one of which is obviously the church. The Central Texas Conference's MinistrySafe policies reflect the MinistrySafe recommended protocol for churches and the previously existing CTC Safe Sanctuary policy. If your church operates a ministry which, by defined licensing requirements, is more appropriately served by one of the other policies provided by MinistrySafe (ie a licensed daycare center or open-enrollment charter school), your MinistrySafe Oversight Committee may choose to work under the guidelines spelled out in these policies.

MinistrySafe has provided the highlighted document for Day Care Centers and Child Placing Agencies: ["How to Comply with Texas SB 471 – A Step-by-Step Description"](#) as well as a set of documents related to each of these areas on

the MinistrySafe homepage (www.ministrysafe.com). You access the documents through your churches already established username and password.

It is important to recognize that staff or volunteers in these ministries are required to complete the same five steps as any other volunteers, but the policy requirements are unique to the day care/school setting. If you have questions about how these policies might be appropriate in your setting, contact MinistrySafe directly at 817-737-7233.

April Edition. You are receiving this newsletter because you are listed as a SSA - Safety System Administrator of your church. The purpose of the newsletter is to answer frequently asked questions, provide supplemental information and resources as they become available, and share best practices related to our Central Texas Conference policies and MinistrySafe procedures. Please share this information with your supervisors.

If you are no longer your church's MinistrySafe SSA, please be sure to change the information on your church's dashboard and contact Sheryl Crumrine (sheryl@ctcumc.org) to update our mailing list. The newsletters will be archived on the CTC website (<http://www.ctcumc.org/ministrysafe>). This site also contains a link through which you can submit a topic for consideration to the MinistrySafe Oversight Committee for inclusion in a future newsletter.

We hope this resource will be helpful for you as we move forward into implementing MinistrySafe and to continuing to grow in excellence in our care for children and youth in the years ahead.

The CTC MinistrySafe Oversight Committee

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