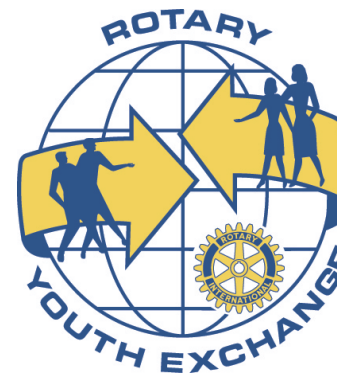




**Rotary District 6330**



# **Child and Youth Protection Policy Adoption Presentation**

District Conference May 31-June 3, 2012

Michele Parkin: District Youth Protection Officer

# Agenda

- Why is it necessary to have a robust YPP Policy?
- Policy Consultation Process and Roll-Out Plan
- Policy Overview and Highlights

# Why?

- Safety of Youth involved in Rotary Programs
- Protection of Club Members from Allegations
- Compliance with RI requirements
- Liability Protection: due diligence
- Legal Compliance: Reporting
- Consistent and Supportive Incident Management

# Policy Consultation Process and Roll-out Plan

- Consultation: District Assembly (done 04/16/11)
- Finalization of Draft Policy (done 07/07/11)
- Consultation: District YEO/YEC (done 08/13/11)
- Policy Presentation to Presidents-Elect and Attendees at District Assembly (done 04/21/12)
- Adoption Presentation: District Conference (05/31/12 - 06/03/12)
- Development of District YPP Training Plan and Materials (Spring/Summer, 2012)
- District Training for Clubs (Summer/Fall, 2012)

# Policy Overview

## District 6330's Child and Youth Protection Policy

Download from District 6330  
website at

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/6330//HTML/147055//YouthProtectionPolicyD6330-2011.060711.Draft.pdf> )

- Prevention, Response and Reporting Procedures
- Club Certification Requirements
- Club Compliance Agreements
- Volunteer Compliance Agreements
- District and Club Training Commitments

# The Highlights

## Section 4: District Commitments

- Policy development and review
- District Youth Protection Officer
- Monitoring Club compliance
- Incident and Investigation support

# The Highlights

## Section 5: Club Certification Requirements

- Compliance Agreement
- Club Youth Protection Officer (YEC/YEO)
- YPP Training Plan
- Youth Program Information

# The Highlights

Section 6, 6.1, 6.2:

## Protection Measures (General)

- Volunteer Interview, affidavit and YPP training
- Reference checking
- If one-on-one unsupervised, requires CBC
- Club to maintain records for 5 years
- Youth get “Not with Me” brochure and contact info for club YPO



# The Highlights

Section 6, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3: Protection Measures for Rotary Youth Exchange

General requirements plus

- Host family: home visit and policy review and acknowledgement
- YEO/YEC: YPP training, policy review and acknowledgement, arms length from host family
- RYE Student gets contacts for YPO/YEC/YEO

# The Highlights

## Section 7: Training Commitments

- District
  - YPP Training Manual, Program Calendar, Completion Tracking
  - YPP Workshops for YPO/YEC/YEO and Inbound/Outbound students
- Club
  - Ensures attendance of above
  - Ensures host families and volunteers are trained in accordance with the policy (<http://tinyurl.com/nayenyp>)
  - Ensure youth participants get information as required

# The Highlights

## Section 8: Allegation Reporting Guidelines

- Club reports all serious accidents/incidents and any allegations of abuse or harassment to District Governor (and if RYE student also to District RYE Chair/YPO)
- District reports to RI

# The Highlights

## Section 9: Confidentiality and Privacy

- Allegations cannot be kept confidential
- Information is shared on a “need to know” basis
- District keeps a secure file

# The Highlights

## Section 10: Investigation Guidelines

- District Committee will facilitate investigation
- Comply with all legal/law enforcement requirements
- Opportunity for submissions by Respondent

# The Highlights

## Section 11: Liability Insurance

### Access

- District General Liability Insurance policy
  - Coverage for Rotary Clubs where an accusation of abuse/harassment is made in context of a Rotary sponsored activity
  - Member coverage in discretion of District Governor

**Thank you!**

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