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HANDOUT TO POWER POINT PRESENTATION ENTITLED:

Thoughts on Child Protection Policies: How to Make Them Work for Your Not-for-Profit or Charity

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This handout encloses a list of the questions that will be reviewed during the presentation, together with cross-references to the slides on the power point to be distributed to webinar attendees.

- 1. Why adopt a child protection policy?
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- 2. Will a child protection policy guarantee that child abuse won't occur or that an organization won't be subject to a lawsuit involving allegations of child abuse?
 - See slide 7
- 3. What other steps can an organization take to protect against potential liability involving child abuse?
 - See slide 8
- 4. What is the governing statute that applies to child protection in the Province of Ontario?
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- 5. How do the Criminal Code provisions differ from those of the *Child and Family Services Act* (Ontario)?
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- 6. Do the other provinces have different reporting requirements?
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- 7. What are some of the procedural matters that should be addressed in adopting a child protection policy?
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- 8. Should a child protection policy be updated on a regular basis?
 - See slide 24
- 9. Can a child protection policy include guidelines on other issues related to the care of children?
 - See slide 26
- 10. What are the reporting requirements under the Ontario *Child and Family Services Act*?
 - See slide 29
- 11. Can a child protection policy provide for a separate internal review process where an allegation of child abuse occurs?
 - See slide 33
- 12. What aspects of the screening process for individuals who wish to work with children and youth, that should be included in a child protection policy?
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- 13. It is important for a child protection policy to have clear guidelines relating to the conduct of volunteers and employees. What are some examples?
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- 14. In some cases an employee or volunteer could allege they did not know about the policy, what precautionary steps can an organization take to safeguard against such allegations?
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- 15. What other items can also be included in a child protection policy?
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