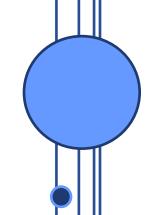


CHILD SAFETY TRAINING FOR COACHES

Product Overview & User Guide

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# Child Safety Training

Abuse Awareness and Prevention

### (Approximatly Two Hour Course)

Child Safety Training is an important element of your child protection and abuse prevention system. When coaches and volunteers have an awareness of the basic characteristics of a sexual abuser, the process by which an abuser picks and prepares a child for abuse, and indicators of child sexual abuse, they are better equipped to recognize and prevent abuse in an organization's programs. As a provider of background screening and online child safety training solutions for coaches, staff and volunteers Protect Youth Sports can play a critical role in helping you protect young athletes. Background checks alone will not prevent child abuse from ocurring in your organization.

Background checks and online child safety training for coaches, staff and volunteers – when part of a comprehensive child protection program – can prevent abuse. Ask any organization that has experienced a case of sexual abuse and they will tell you that knowing what they know now, there is NO amount of time that would have been too great to spend on prevention and educating their staff and volunteers.

Your staff, coaches and volunteers should complete in depth Child Safety Training.

The statistics are staggering: 1 out of 5 girls is sexually abused before they turn 12, and 1 of 4 before 18, and 1 out of 8 boys is sexually abused before they turn 12, and 1 of 6 before 18. And even worse, many reports indicate that precisely because sexual predators target trusting environments where children are present, the incidence of child abuse is actually higher in the youth sports community.

Statistics do not begin to describe the devastating consequences of child abuse.

Victims of child abuse often struggle with the emotional and other effects of abuse for the rest of their lives. Sadly, child abuse victims are themselves at higher risk of inflicting the abuse on other children. Allegations of abuse can tarnish, sometimes irretrievably, an organization's reputation. And of course the financial impact can be devastating as well.

Against this backdrop, Protect Youth Sports is determined to join with youth sports organizations and other community serving organizations in avoiding, as much as possible, incidences of child abuse on our watch.

# **Child Safety Training**

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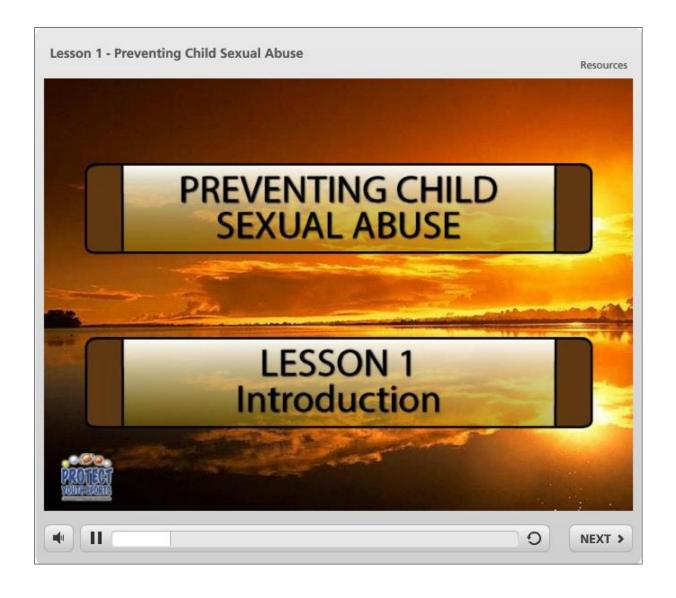
### **Overview**

- Learn why it is important to learn about child sexual abuse, today more than ever
- Protect the children
- Assure the health and well-being of your organization
- Facts and Myths
- What Can I Do?
- Why is it Important?



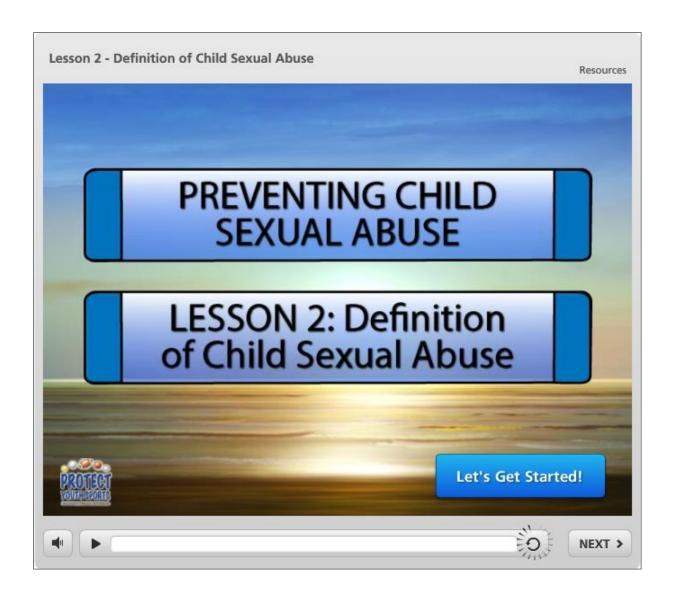
# **Lesson 1 - Introduction**

- Why Do I Need to Worry?
- Long-Term Impacts
- Historical Perspective
- Overview of Legislation
- Impact on Organizations
- How Do I Keep Focus on Child Sexual Abuse Prevention?



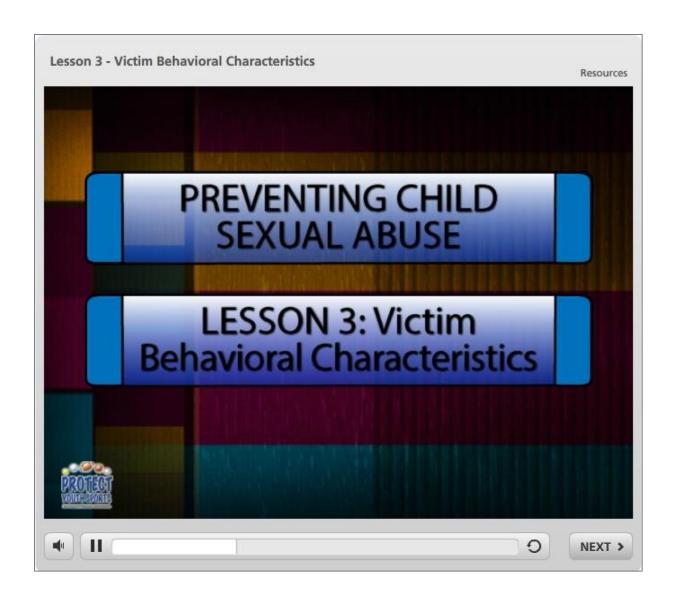
### Lesson 2 - Definition of Child Sexual Abuse

- What is Child Sexual Abuse?
- What is Non-Sexual Abuse or Neglect?
- Some Facts about Child Sexual Abuse
- Who are the Victims and Perpetrators?
- What Causes Child Sexual Abuse?
- Classes of Child Molesters
- Why is the Number of Reported Cases So Low?
- Should Children be Warned?



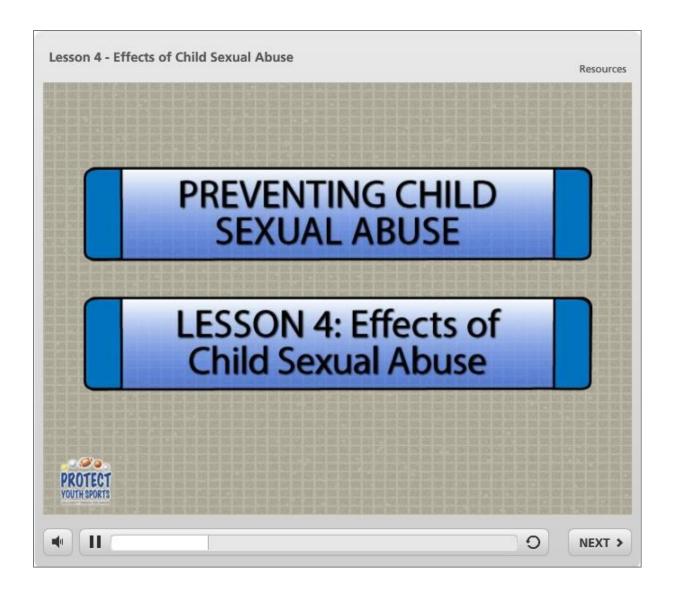
### **Lesson 3 - Victim Behavioral Characteristics**

- Profile of Potential Victims
- Physical Signs or Behaviors
- Behavior or Signs of Mental Stress
- The Perpetrator at Work
- Heed the Warning Signs



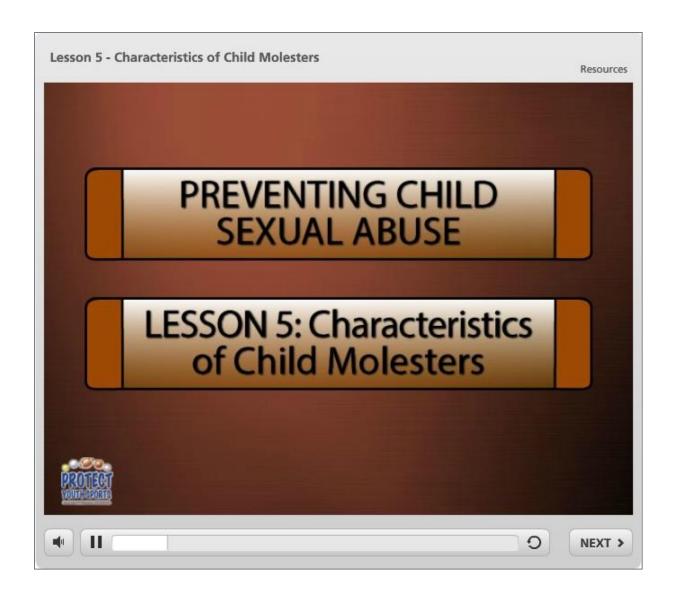
### Lesson 4 - Effects of Child Sexual Abuse

- Effects on the Victim
- Effects in Adulthood
- What about the Family?



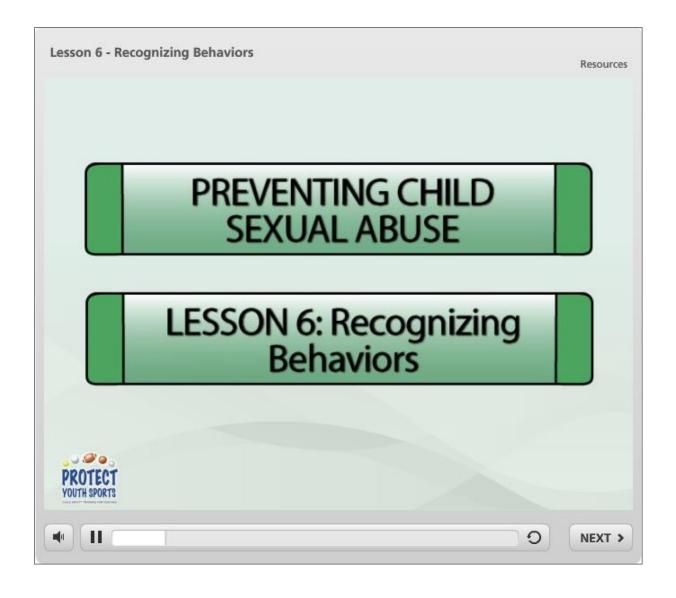
# **Lesson 5 - Characteristics of Child Molesters**

- Historical View
- How Do Predators Choose Their Victims?
- What are Grooming Behaviors?
- What Should I be on the Lookout for?
- Common Characteristics of Male Offenders
- Common Characteristics of Female Molesters



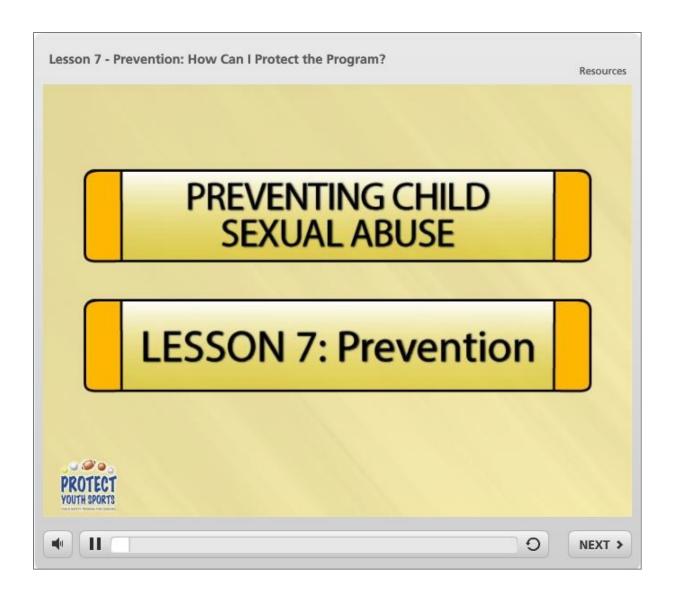
# Lesson 6 - Recognizing Behaviors

- Watch for Grooming Behaviors
- Supervise Everyone
- Avoid False Allegations
- Avoid Unmonitored or Unsupervised Situations
- Watch for Inappropriate Physical Contact
- Monitor the Children



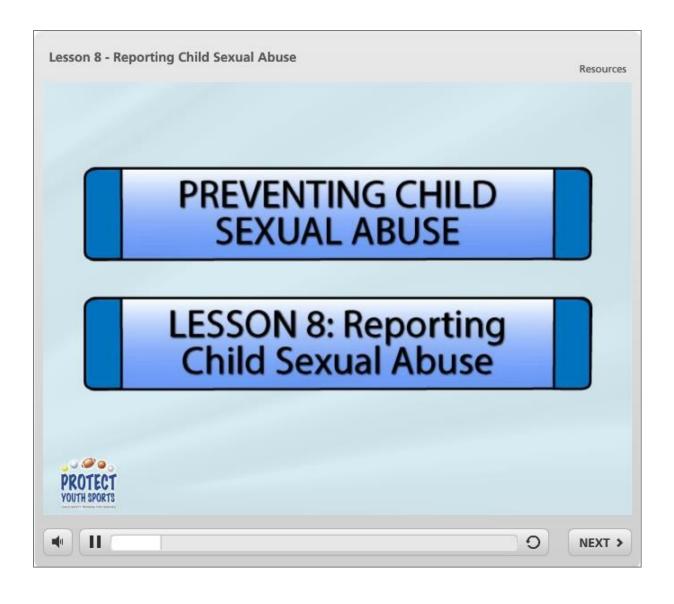
### Lesson 7 - Prevention

- Establish a Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Program Planning Committee
- Create Screening and Selection Policies for Employees and Volunteers
- Write Guidelines about Interactions between Individuals
- Avoid Unmonitored One-On-One
- Monitor Behavior
- Watch for Grooming Behaviors in Others
- Protect Yourself: Avoid False Allegations
- Avoid Inappropriate Physical Affection
- Provide a Safe Environment
- Response to Situations
- Provide Training
- Manage Change



# Lesson 8 - Reporting Child Sexual Abuse

- When Should I Report?
- Role of Policies and Procedures
- Reporting Process
- Should We Keep Records of Internal Reports?

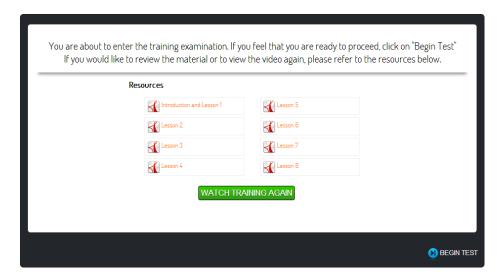


### **Test**

At the end of the course there is a screen that will give access to the lesson resources before leading into the 25 question test covering the material covered in the videos.

- The applicant must score a minimum of 70% to pass.
- If the applicant should fail, they will be provided with links to review the worksheets, watch the training again, and take the test again.

When the applicant completes the training, you will receive a notification email stating that the training has been completed



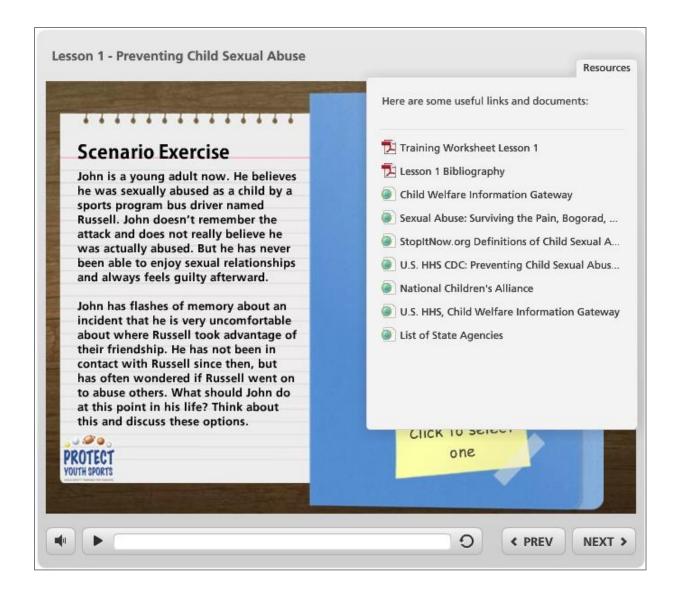




# **Navigation and Functions**

On the video player there are functions and access to resources.

- At the top right is the lesson number and description.
- At the top left is a resources link that will provide the applicant with a worksheet for the current lesson as well as links to websites to reference
- At the bottom there are function buttons to mute audio, pause and play the video playback, replay current video, and next and previous navigation buttons.
- At the end of each video, the applicant will have to click on the next button to advance to the next video.
- At the end of each lesson there are scenarios and questions to answer covering the material provided in the lesson.



## **Types of Training**

Protect Youth Sports Child Safety Training has two training types.

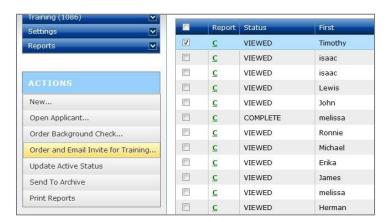
- Volunteer
  - Condensed edition (~90 minutes)
- Employee
  - o Full edition (further explanations of terms and scenarios, ~120 Minutes)

# **Ordering**

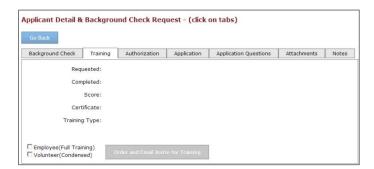
This is an online video course and quiz; you must have a valid email address for your applicants.

For applicants that are already in your account...

> From the Main Menu, select Background Checks or Pipeline. Mark the check box on the row for the applicant you want to order Child Safety Training for, this will highlight their row blue.



- > Select Order and Email Invite for Training in the Actions menu.
- You may also select Open Applicant and choose the Training tab.



> Select the desired training type and Click the Order and Email Invite for Training button.

For new applicants that you are only ordering Child Safety Training for...

- From the Main Menu, select Training, then click on New Order
- > You will then add the applicants information as if you were ordering a background check



After you are finished entering the applicant's data, you will click next and be taken to the training tab of the new applicant's details.

Applicant Detail & Background Check Request - (click on tabs)

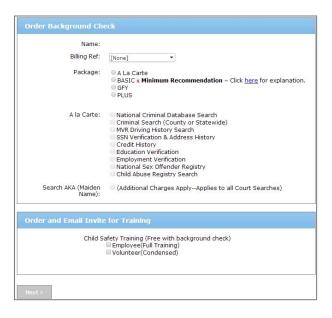
# Background Check Training Authorization Application Application Questions Attachments Notes Requested: Completed: Score: Certificate: Training Type: Employee(Full Training) Volunteer(Condensed) Order and Email Invite for Training

> Select the desired training type and Click the Order and Email Invite for Training button.

Coach Pay accounts have the option to have their accounts automatically order Child Safety Training when their applicants submit for their background checks.

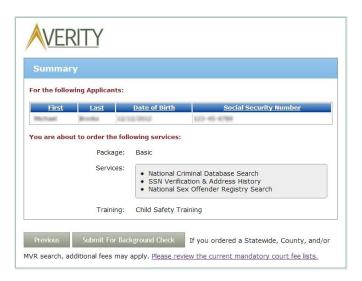
To order Child Safety Training while you are ordering a background check...

> Using the Background Check ordering methods outlined in the Verity Client Manual, you will come to the ordering screen.



> From here you will be able to select the desired training type to be ordered and email invitation sent to your applicant during the Background Check ordering process.

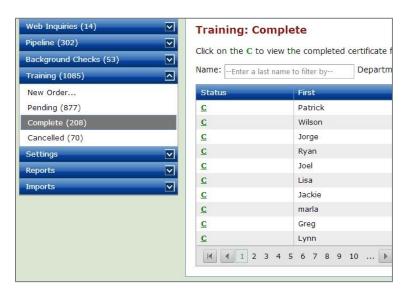
You will only be able to select Child Safety Training if you are ordering a Background Check service using this method.



# **Viewing Certificates**

When complete, the certificate can be viewed two ways.

1. The first is from the Training menu from, then select Complete. The first column on the grid is Status, when the training is complete, a GREEN C will be displayed. Simply click on the C to view the certificate.



2. Another way to get the certificate is to Open the applicant's file; by marking the check box next to the applicant's name and then selecting Open in the Actions menu. Go to the Training tab and click on the link to the certificate. If the training is still pending, it will display the requested date, a status of "Invited," and the certificate link will not be present.





# Suggestions

We are constantly making enhancements to Verity and Child Safety Training. If there is a functionality that you believe would be beneficial to your organization and others, please send a detailed email, including functionality and options, as well as how it will benefit Verity, to support@priorityresearch.com or support@protectyouthsports.com.

Thank you, Verity Development Team