

# Safeguarding in the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand (SCCANZ)

The Catholic Church believes that:

Every person has a value and dignity which derives directly from his or her creation in the image and likeness of God (cf. Gen. 1:26-27)

This national safeguarding course is part of the Catholic Church's provision of training under the National Safeguarding Guidelines. It meets the level 1 criteria. It recognises the Church's responsibility:

- to value all people and protect them from harm
- to create an environment where people are welcome and safe

This training is part of the Church's commitment to promoting a One Church approach to safeguarding and to ensure those in ministry:

- respect and care for all children, young people and adults
- safeguard all children, young people and vulnerable adults
- can establish safe, caring communities
- are alert to the dangers of abuse

SCCANZ is taught online by Te Kupenga – Catholic Leadership Institute.

There are two modules that:

1. Explore the background to safeguarding
2. Introduce the five Safeguarding Standards

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