

Risk assessment guide

If number 1, 2, 3, 4 or 6 are checked to indicate that “Yes, this is true,” the ministry is automatically high risk and a Police Records Check is necessary. However, if any of the other categories (not bolded) are also checked to indicate that “Yes, this is true,” it is imperative that church leaders work to reduce this risk. See suggestions for reducing risk, section 3.5.2 of the LwC policy.

Risk category	Risk factor	Yes, this is true	No, this is not true
Degree of Isolation	1. Teacher/leader may be alone with person served.		
Degree of Supervision	2. Teachers/leaders have limited or no supervision in role.		
	3. The activities of teachers/leaders are in a place where activities are not observed or monitored.		
Access to Property	4. Teacher/leader has access to personal property or money of persons served.		
	5. Teacher/leader has access to confidential information related to the person served.		
Degree of Physical Contact	6. The ministry position (job) description includes touching persons served.		
Vulnerability of Persons Served	7. Persons served have language or literacy barriers.		
	8. Persons served are immobile.		
	9. Persons served have challenges that contribute to their vulnerability (e.g., physical, psychological, situational).		
Degree of Physical Demands	10. The activity involves potential danger to person served (e.g., rock climbing, using a stove).		
	11. Activity involves potential stress (e.g., children upset by visit to nursing homes, support group activities).		
Degree of Trust	12. The teacher/leader develops close, personal relationships with persons served.		
	13. The ministry position involves transportation of persons served.		
	14. The teacher/leader contributes to making career or other important decisions of persons served.		
Degree of Inherent Risk	15. The activity heightens potential for the teacher/leader to be in contact with bodily fluids or disease of the person served.		
	16. The activity exposes the person served to operation or handling of potentially dangerous equipment (e.g., lawnmower).		
	17. The activity exposes the person served to handling toxic substances or results in exposure to poor air quality, noise, etc. (e.g., demolition work in an inner-city mission).		

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