

PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IN YOUTH SERVING ORGANIZATIONS

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has developed six key components for preventing child sexual abuse within youth serving organizations.

COMPONENT 1: Screening and Selecting Employees and Volunteers

The goal of this component is to select the best possible people for staff and volunteer positions and to screen out individuals who have sexually abused youth or at risk to abuse.



- The organization has a written policy for all positions – both staff and volunteer – who have contact with program participants.
- The organization conducts criminal background checks on all applicants.
- The organization conducts reference checks on all applicants.



A2A provides training for youth serving organizations on enhancing their policies and procedures to protect children in their programs. Go to www.a2awisconsin.org for more information.