

AUDIT REPORT

2014

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PVG

These figures detail the number of priests in parishes who are now members of the PVG Scheme. The volunteer figure is all of those in parishes who have any involvement with children or vulnerable adults and who have undergone PVG Scheme membership by the end of 2104. 2013 figures are supplied for comparison.

2014 Numbers	PVGs	2013	PVGs
Clergy 558³	547	590	488
Volunteers 9,405	6,914	9,028	4,225

Training

In the year 2014 219 Clergy underwent training in Safeguarding as did all 25 seminarians who were at that stage studying for Scottish dioceses. 264 Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinators also took part in training.

³ All 25 Seminarians who were at that stage studying for Scottish dioceses were members of the PVG

APPENDIX

Religious Congregations in Scotland

The Conference of Religious Scotland has designated Link Coordinators with a Safeguarding remit for each Religious Order. All Link Coordinators meet annually for a one day conference with the National Coordinator. The CRS has its own Safeguarding Commission (Risk Assessment Team) which includes membership by the National Safeguarding Coordinator. Below is an audit of the allegations made to the various Religious Orders in the period 2014.

Year	Number	Against whom	Timeframe
2014	8	4 priests	1 1950s
		3 Brothers	4 1960s
		1 Employee	1 1980s
			2 2010s

Types of abuse

Five of the allegations were of a sexual nature. Three were physical and one verbal. In one allegation both sexual and physical abuse were reported.

Reported to the statutory authorities

Six allegations were reported to the authorities, one was not reported as the accused was deceased and in the remaining one no criminal activity had taken place.

Prosecution:

No prosecutions resulted from the allegations.

Status of accused

Four are deceased, three are unknown and one has been dismissed from employment.