

## **CHILD ABUSE REGISTRY POLICY – VOLUNTEER**

The Library believes it to be in the best interests of staff, volunteers and patrons to implement procedures that are intended to protect those employees, volunteers and patrons working in and utilizing the Library.

The Child Abuse Registry's primary purpose is to help Child and Family Service agencies protect children. The library does not meet the criteria for access to the Child Abuse Registry as defined under subsection 19.3 (3.1) of the Child and Family Services Act.

Individuals have the right to find out if his or her name is on the Child Abuse Registry and to access certain information on the registry (self-check).

1. Individuals involved with children do not require screening if their involvement is on a one time or on a limited basis and in a controlled/supervised environment and if there is direct supervision by screened staff or volunteers.
2. Individuals accepted as a volunteer, volunteering on a consistent basis must present a child abuse registry check before volunteer work can begin.
3. An individual will not be accepted as a volunteer if he/she has been found guilty of child abuse or is currently under investigation.