Committed to Accountability ONGOING STEPS

"Be diligent in these matters, be absorbed in them, so that your progress may be evident to everyone."

(1 Tim 4:15)



Charter & Essential Norms

June 2002, Revised June 2011 and June 2018

- · Zero Tolerance
- Required Reporting to Public Authorities
- · Lay Review Boards
- Victim Assistance Coordinators
- Safe Environment Training
- · Background Checks
- Two John Jay studies of abuse in the Church

Motu Proprio

May 2019

- · Reporting Systems
- · Timely Investigations
- · Survivor Support
- Whistleblower Protection
- · Conflict of Interest Ban
- · Lay Involvement
- · Compliance with Civil Law
- Grounded in the Law and Life of the Local Church

Implementation Directives

June 2019 General Assembly

- Outlines Use of Lay Experts to Investigate and Publicize Allegations
- National 3rdParty Reporting
- · Strengthens Conflict of Interest Ban
- Pastoral Care for Those Harmed
- Affirms Duties of Metropolitan

Protocol

June 2019 General Assembly

- Guidance on
 Bishops Who
 Were Removed
 or Who Resigned
 for Reasons
 Related to Sexual
 Abuse or Abuse
 of Power
- Guidance on
 Participation of
 Such Bishops
 Removed or
 Resigned in
 USCCB Meetings

Episcopal Commitments

June 2019 General Assembly

- Bishops Included in Codes of Conduct that Must Include Prohibitions Against Sexual Misconduct and Harassment
- Bishops Renew Pledge to Be Subject to the Charter
- · Commitment to Ongoing Formation for Bishops
- Commitment to Include Expertise of Lay Professionals



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