



WORCESTERSHIRE
COUNCIL FOR
VOLUNTARY YOUTH
SERVICES

**WCVYS CAN
OFFER YOUR
ORGANISATION:**

- **Enhanced CRB Disclosure Service**
- **Safeguarding Advice**
- **Training**
- **Child Protection Policy Guidance**

***Updated booklet is now available ***

WCVYS has produced a Guidance Booklet for the Voluntary and Community Sectors - 'Safeguarding Children and Young People'. Contact the office if you would like copies for your organisation. It can also be downloaded at www.wcvys.co.uk/safeguarding

Contact Person with WCVYS

If you are no longer the contact person for CRBs within your organisation, please let us know so that we can get a new CRB Contract between your organisation and WCVYS signed.

CRiB Newsletter

A quarterly newsletter for organisations who have contracts for CRBs with WCVYS.

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Welcome to this the seventh edition of a quarterly newsletter WCVYS produces for groups and organisations who have contracts for CRBs with us. Please let us know if there is any particular information you would find helpful.

CRB Fee Increase Announcement

As a result of recent Government changes, the cost of an Enhanced CRB check increased by £8 from 6 April 2011. This is the first time that CRB fees have increased since 2006. All other fees will remain unchanged. The increase in the cost of an Enhanced CRB check is directly linked to the Government's decision to scale back the VBS to more common sense levels, which has resulted in the cancellation of the requirement to register with the VBS. This fee increase will directly fund the administration costs of the retained elements of the Scheme, and is significantly lower than the intended registration fee of £64.

From 6 April 2011, the following fee will apply throughout the remainder of 2011/12.

- Enhanced CRB check £44.00

CRB Checks for volunteers will continue to be free of charge, saving the voluntary sector approximately £32 million in 2010/11.

For more information [click here](#)

The WCVYS Administration fee of £10 per application will apply (first four per year free of this fee for WCVYS members).

Sound Systems

WCVYS has been supported by Aiming Higher for Disabled Children to work with four organisations to assist them to obtain the Sound Systems safeguarding accreditation. The four organisations which include Deaf Direct and Snoezelen will receive support from a mentor. The mentor will guide and advise the organisations in relation to the policies and procedures they have to have in place in order to meet the requirements of the Sound Systems scheme. Sound Systems takes a holistic approach to safeguarding and expects organisations to ensure trustees, managers and all staff including volunteers are able to be actively involved in making their organisations a safe place for children and young people.

Successful CRB Applications

Top Current Errors

Section A6—Other forenames (even if the same as current, but surname has changed)

Section 21—Evidence of National Insurance Number must be seen

Section A23—Driving Licence Number indicates a Middle Name

Section A27—Country of Issue of Passport

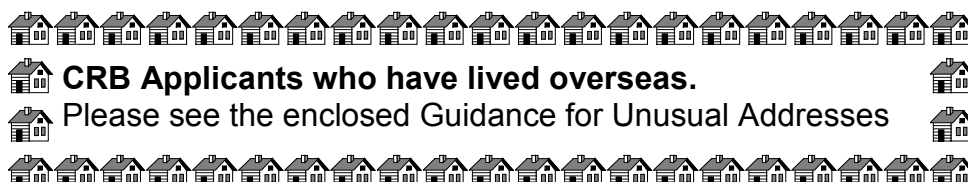
Section C—Previous 5 years address history, including Country

Always use Black Ink

Do not use Tippex

We Know Our Children Best

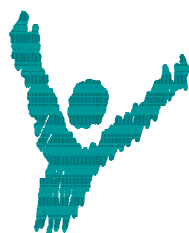
In late January Worcestershire's Parents and Practitioners Working Partnership Development Group premiered its new DVD entitled We Know Our Children Best. This described the situation encountered by a number of families with children with a disability. This excellent DVD explores the demands and challenges that families face from the perspective of the parent or carer. The theme is that caring for a disabled child needs to take a partnership approach. It emphasises that although medical practitioners can bring their knowledge to bear it is essential, that the parents skills and understanding of their children is acknowledged and taken fully into account. The DVD concludes through working in partnership the best results can be achieved for the family, the child and the service providers. The DVD is available from Worcestershire Parents and Carers, 17 The Angel Centre, Angel Place Worcester WR 1 3QN. Telephone: 07528 617118. Email: enquiries@parentcarers.org.uk



WCVYS CRB and Administration Charges Fees From 6th April 2011	Enhanced CRB Fee	WCVYS Admin Fee
Current Membership Organisations (VCS organisations working primarily with children and young people)	£0 volunteers £44 paid staff	} first 4 each year no admin fee, thereafter £10
Other Organisations VCS Groups — non-members and/or not working primarily with children and young people	£0 volunteers £44 paid staff	£20 £20
Commercial organisations	£0 volunteers £44 paid staff	£35 £35

Useful Websites:

www.wcvys.co.uk
www.worcestershiresafeguarding.org.uk
www.direct.gov.uk/crb



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