

Keeping our children, youth, & vulnerable adults safe



Are you TRUSTed con Confianza? Rio Texas Child, Youth, and Vulnerable Adult Safety Policy (RE)certification Steps

We are excited to celebrate the first two years of the Trusted con Confianza certification ministry for the Rio Texas Conference.

In the past two years over 7,000 individuals completed their certification. Thank-you!

Certification lasts two years. Prior to the expiration of your certification, Safe Gatherings staff will contact you regarding your upcoming renewal.

You will receive renewal notifications 90 days, 45 days, 21 days, and the day of your certification expiration.

You will follow a similar three step process for recertification. **Please note, while the steps are the same, the content, curriculum, and time required is different.**

For recertification you must complete the steps in the following order:

Step One

Complete your renewal application with Safe Gatherings (safegatherings.com)

This application includes your background check and 3 reference checks. Remember: You are asked to provide a personal and a clergy/vocational reference in addition to your church/organization's designated reference, which is sent automatically. Please let your references know that they will receive an email from Safe Gatherings. The reference will take 2-3 minutes of their time and is an essential part of the certification process.

Step Two

Complete Safe Gatherings online training course and test.

This is a 60-90 minute presentation of information on safety guidelines and best practices as defined by the state of Texas. Persons will take a test at the end of this training.

Step Three

Attend a Trusted con Confianza Recertification Facilitated Session

Prior to your certification expiration, you can choose to attend:

1. A recertification facilitated session:
 - A. These 60-minute sessions are interactive and live conversations that are offered via monthly online webinars, and at a limited number of districtwide in-person sessions throughout the conference during the year.
 - B. **Please note: you will be invited to register for a recertification session following your completion of steps one and two. Safe Gatherings will provide you with a link and a password to use to register for the recertification session of your choice. For upcoming training dates and times, visit: <https://riotexas.org/renewal-dates>**
2. Any regular facilitated session: These 2-hour interactive trainings are offered online and in person throughout the year. For training dates and times, check out: riotexas.org/safetrainings.

Please Note: If you would like to renew earlier than 45 days, you can go to safegatherings.com and click the red get started button to create a new application that will alert Safe Gatherings that you are trying to renew early. The system will ask if you want to complete a new application. Please make sure you check this box. This will get you started on your application process. If you have any trouble renewing early please contact Safe Gatherings, 888-241-8258, or contact@safegatherings.com. They are very helpful in assisting individuals with this process.

Need help? Check out the online tutorials at: riotexas.org/safesteps

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