

# Protecting Vulnerable Groups Scheme



The Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) Scheme is run by Disclosure Scotland and replaces the previous disclosure scheme in Scotland.

The PVG scheme aims to become an ongoing disclosure database that allows membership 'for life' which should cut down on the need to complete a detailed application every time a check is required. Those parties who declare an interest in your membership will be notified if any new vetting information arises. Continuing to collect vetting information after a person becomes a PVG scheme member will ensure that new information indicating that they might pose a risk to vulnerable groups can be acted on promptly.

All UK, EU and International applicants are required to join the scheme and undergo background checks before the start of their course. Once you have supplied us with the supporting documentation we have requested from you by 30<sup>th</sup> June; we will initiate a PVG application for you with Disclosure Scotland. We will inform you by email once this has been done as you then only have seven days to complete and submit this to Disclosure Scotland otherwise they will cancel your application with them.

The initial fee to join this scheme will be £59. Once you are a member, the fee for a new interested party to obtain a 'Scheme Record Update' is £18.

**If you have already joined the PVG scheme, please let us know as a different online form is required for existing members.**

You can find out further information about the PVG scheme through the following website:

<http://www.disclosurescotland.co.uk/disclosureinformation/pvgscheme.htm>