



West Virginia Conference

The United Methodist Church

GUIDELINES FOR COUNSELING FUNDS DISPERSED BY COMMITTEE ON CLERGY SUPPORT AND PASTORAL CARE

1. Who is eligible?

a. Clergy of the West Virginia Annual Conference

(For these guidelines, clergy is defined as (1) Elders, (2) Deacons, and (3) Licensed Local Pastors serving an appointment within the conference)

b. Immediate family members of clergy (*spouse and dependent children*)

c. Divorced or widowed spouses of clergy for a period of two years after the death or divorce

2. What are the qualifications of the provider?

People licensed by the state to provide professional counseling. Must be a State Licensed Psychologist, State Licensed Psychiatrist, State Licensed Professional Counselor or State Licensed Social Worker. *Temporary licenses are not recognized.*

3. How much is available per family?

\$700 per calendar year

4. What is the procedure for obtaining the funds?

The provider bills the clergyperson's insurance and sends a copy to Rev. Jim McCune. He then vouchers the amount not paid by insurance to be paid by the Committee on Clergy Support and Pastoral Care. This amount is limited to \$700 for the entire family per calendar year. Jim McCune may be reached at jmccune301@aol.com or 304-342-7351.