

*Council on Clergy Development  
Board of Ordained Ministry  
California-Nevada Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church*

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**Guidelines for Supportive Services**

The Supportive Services of the Board of Ordained Ministry has limited resources from the Ministerial Education Fund for personal counseling. The following Limitations apply to those otherwise eligible:

**Limitations:**

- **If you are enrolled in the Conference Health Plan [HMO], you are not eligible for these funds.**
- **If you are enrolled in a health plan that offers outpatient counseling services, you are not eligible for these funds.**

If you are not limited by the above, then funds are available to:

- All clergy members of the California-Nevada Annual Conference who are under Episcopal appointment.
- Widows/widowers of clergy
- The immediate families of the above.

Persons under joint review, investigation, or who are on trial may avail themselves of the fund with the approval of the District Superintendent.

**Amount Available:**

- Eligible applicants may receive up to one half of the fee paid with a maximum of \$1500.00 per family for 12 months.
- Eligibility renews on January 1 each year.

**Application Procedure:**

Complete the application and send it with a copy of the counseling bill to:

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Requests for reimbursement may be submitted monthly. All checks will be mailed directly to the applicant. Under special circumstances the \$1500 maximum may be extended. Other funds may be available through the Bishop's office. Contact a District Superintendent for more information.

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