



Metro CISM Team Chaplains' Code of Ethics

The Metro CISM seeks to maintain high standards of professional ethics. Chaplains of this team will:

1. Treat all persons with respect, recognizing the dignity and worth of each individual.
2. Celebrate diversity and serve all persons regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability or gender.
3. Affirm the spiritual and religious freedom of all persons and refrain from proselytizing.
4. Maintain a vital relationship and good standing with their faith community.
5. Pursue ongoing professional development in theology, pastoral skills and spirituality.
6. Protect the welfare of those served and maintain the integrity of the pastoral relationship, refraining from emotional, sexual, or other forms of exploitation of individuals or groups. Sexual contact with those served, even by consent, is prohibited.
7. Protect confidentiality and the privacy of persons receiving pastoral care. They may only share confidential information in rare instances for the enhancement of the health and well-being of an individual or when required by law.
8. Maintain inter-professional relationships to foster partnerships and interdisciplinary cooperation as well as to facilitate consultations and referrals.

Approved November 1, 2012
The Metro CISM Team Board of Directors

Agreed and Accepted

_____ Date _____

Printed Name _____