

Response Team Contact Information

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Resources:

Sexual Misconduct, Prevention,
and Support Conference Webpage:

[https://ntcumc.org/sexual-
misconduct-prevention-support](https://ntcumc.org/sexual-misconduct-prevention-support)

United Methodist Sexual Ethics
website: www.umsexualethics.org

Crisis Response and Care Ministry:
https://ntcumc.org/Response_Team_Ministry_webpage_1.pdf



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Purpose

When a crisis occurs, congregations are thrown into distress. A crisis can include loss of property or life, illegal activities, alleged sexual misconduct by a clergy, staff or church leader, or acts of violence on a church campus. As additional information becomes available chaos can develop.

The North Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church

recognizes long term negative effects can be avoided with practical, sensitive and competent assistance provided during and after the crisis.

What is the Response Team?

The Response and Care Team of the North Texas Conference was designed to:

- Provide a trauma ready team of trained clergy and laity to engage in the work of assessment, intervention, and healing care for congregations in the midst of an allegation of misconduct or crisis.
- Administer the Resource Person Program to provide support for persons who may have been victimized, and advocacy should they choose to file a complaint.

The Crisis Response Team also provides:

- Consulting and Resourcing
- Education and training regarding Sexual Misconduct

Who serves on the Response Team?

Clergy and laity within the North Texas Conference with professional experience in mental health, pastoral care, and other human services, trained to listen with objective compassion, give support, and provide guidance during a time of crisis and loss.



What can we expect when the Response Team comes?

The Response Team Coordinator (or designee), in consultation with the District Superintendent and Bishop (or designee) will meet with the church's Staff Parish Relations Committee and other church leadership to:

- Explain the purpose and resources of the team.
- Provide educational and supportive "next step" resources addressing immediate needs, the nature, and the impact of the crisis at hand.
- Assess the state of the congregation, staff, aggrieved, accused and their families.
- Collaborate with church leadership to address the needs and healing of all affected, which may include attention to individuals, affected groups, staff, and/or the congregation as a whole.
- Provide information regarding the services of the Resource Person Program.
- Follow up with leadership, affected persons or groups within the church, and conference leadership regarding the resources and work provided by the team.

For questions, consultation, or a confidential conversation, please contact the Response Team Coordinator or Lead Resource Person. (See contact information on reverse side.)