



Response Team Ministry (for Sexual Misconduct)

(Formerly known as CART)

The Center for Leadership Development (CLD) of The North Texas Conference (NTC), to comply with the *Book of Discipline* (BOD) and the *Book of Resolutions* (BOR) mandates to provide for the healing of congregations and all persons moving through allegations, incidents, and or complaints of sexual misconduct in their ministry settings, provides support for the Bishop and District Superintendents, clergy, and congregations, of the North Texas Conference regarding sexual misconduct in all its forms. Through prevention, training, education, and crisis intervention, the CLD is responsible to:

- Provide a skilled, trauma ready Response Team of clergy and laity to engage in the work of assessment, intervention, and care for congregations, in the midst of a sexual misconduct crisis (BOD, BOR, NTC Policy)
- Provide the Resource Person Program for individual care, and for advocacy and guidance specifically when a formal complaint is filed against a clergy person (BOD, BOR, NTC Policy)
- Provide related resources for the mandated and supplemental training of clergy and laity (BOR, NTC Policy)
- Collaborate with the Commission on the Status and Role of Women to maintain and update Sexual Misconduct policies and procedures and the [Sexual Misconduct, Prevention and Support](#) webpage on the North Texas Conference website (BOD, BOR, NTC Conference Policies)
- Maintain and update Ministry Safe policies and procedures and the Ministry Safe webpage (BOD, BOR, NTC Policies)

- Resource ministry settings in developing their own sexual misconduct and Ministry Safe policies (NTC Policies)
- Proper disbursement of NTC Conference Policies and required informational resources on a regular basis (NTC Policies)

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Please visit our [Sexual Misconduct, Prevention and Support](#) webpage for further information and resources