

## ***Do No Harm: Mandatory Quadrennial Sexual Ethics Training***

To all Appointed Clergy of the Florida Annual Conference:

**Please** register for one of the Mandatory Quadrennial Sexual Ethics Training dates listed below for ALL appointed clergy.

All those who are serving under episcopal appointment within the Florida Conference must attend one of the upcoming sexual ethics trainings this fall to remain in good standing. This includes all clergy serving in extension ministries, retired clergy serving under appointment, all deacons, elders, licensed local pastors (part time and full time), diaconal ministers and lay supply who are assigned to lead a church. This training is required even if you have recently attended the Sexual Ethics training at Right Start or are scheduled to do so this coming May. A different curriculum will be covered in the quadrennial training. Certificates will be provided to those who complete the full 5 hours of training. A copy of your Certificate will be placed in your clergy file.

### **WHAT?**

- Raising Awareness
- Preventing sexual misconduct
- Promoting healthy boundaries
- Bringing about justice and healing

### **WHY?**

- Considering the seemingly daily allegations of, and headlines concerning, sexual misconduct brought to light through the #METOO movement and the national conversation that has arisen around the abuse of power and the need for healthy sexual boundaries, this training is long overdue. It is a requirement that all clergy participate in Sexual Ethics training every four years to remain in good standing.
- More importantly, we need training in connecting our Christian value of honoring the image of God in each other with leadership that allows us access to those who are vulnerable, and therefore is a sacred trust.

### **WHEN & WHERE?**

You may attend a session outside of your appointed district.

- Tampa at St. James UMC on Tuesday, September 24, 2019
- Jacksonville at Mandarin UMC on Thursday, October 3, 2019
- Gainesville at Trinity UMC on Wednesday, October 9, 2019
- Plantation at Plantation UMC on Tuesday, October 22, 2019
- Orlando at St. Luke's UMC on Wednesday, November 6, 2019

**All training sessions will be held from 10am to 3pm. Lunch will be provided.**

[Click Here to Register](#)

### **Additional Resources:**

- [UMC Sexual Ethics Flyer](#)
- [#METOO TOOLKIT](#)

We appreciate your commitment to this important work.

Together, let's commit to ***Do No Harm.***



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