

Misconduct Policies and Procedures

A few good resources

ELCA Resources www.elca.org

At the bottom of the page choose "Office of the Secretary," then scroll down to click on the "Legal" category. In the list of legal sections choose "Sexual Misconduct Prevention." There are a number of resources there. Some of the links are broken, but others will take you to very helpful material. "Safe Connections" is especially good and can be downloaded. [Or, use this direct link.](#)

Church Mutual Insurance www.churchmutual.com

This site provides a huge inventory of risk management information. Look under "Safety Resources." They have printable brochures and videos to view and download.

Safe Sanctuaries <http://www.umcdiscipleship.org/leadership-resources/safe-sanctuaries>

This United Methodist Church website has sample policies.

Safe Sanctuaries series by Joy Thornburg Melton. (Children and youth, seniors, Ministers). Can be ordered from Amazon. These are written to be used by rostered leaders, personnel committees, boards, etc. These maybe something for a council or committee to look at together.

NC Synod www.nclutheran.org

- **Clergy Misconduct Policy** http://www.nclutheran.org/forms/forms_leaders.php

This policy is mostly about reporting misconduct rather than preventing it.

- **Sample policies shared by congregations**

The synod's Heilig Resource Center has policies shared by congregations. Consider sharing yours! Email Elizabeth Smith (esmith@nclutheran.org) to request samples.

- **Safe Gatherings** http://www.nclutheran.org/youth_family/resources/safe-gatherings.php

An overview of this program as well as a link to get started.

For a copy of this page with live links, you can email Kathy Muth (kmuth@nclutheran.org).