

COLUMBUS METROPOLITAN AREA CHURCH COUNCIL

THE VOICE OF THE ECUMENICAL COMMUNITY

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CLERGY IDENTIFICATION BADGE PROCESS

The Clergy Identification Badge (CID) is designed to assist both the clergy and local hospitals by providing uniform identification. This badge is provided as a service by area hospitals and the Columbus Metropolitan Area Church Council (CMACC). The badge is to be used by professional clergy or lay ministers from greater Columbus to make hospital calls as part of their job assignment. It *is not* meant for clergy and lay ministers who live and work outside this area and occasionally visit local hospitals. Such persons may easily obtain permission to visit patients as specific needs arise.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

One (1) application form is enclosed. (*The form maybe copied.*) Please complete application, attach authorization letter indicating that you are recognized for providing pastoral visitation for the institution, one or more of the requested documentation (please do not send originals), and \$15.00 application fee (make checks payable to CMACC). Mail to: **Columbus Metropolitan Area Church Council-CID, 67 Jefferson Avenue, Columbus, OH 43215.**

FREQUENT QUESTIONS:

How soon can I get my badge? CMACC will notify all applicants within two (2) weeks via mail to the home address only. The letter will provide specific information for obtaining the CID Badge. Badges are only issued at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, OH. You must take the letter from CMACC with you to obtain your badge.

Where will I be required to show a badge? Clergy Identification Badges are recognized by the following hospitals: Children's Hospital, Doctor's Hospital - West, Grant Medical Center, Mount Carmel - East, Mount Carmel - West, Mount Carmel - St. Ann's Hospital, Ohio State University Medical Center, Ohio State University Hospital - East, and Riverside Methodist Hospital.

Is parking free? Free parking is permitted for badge holders in designated areas of most hospitals.

What about security? The CID badge is also a photo identification badge; therefore, you are advised to keep your badge in plain site at all times while inside the institutions.

Why do I need a badge? Of course, none of us need a badge for spiritual or theological reasons, but understand that this badge is meant to serve both you and the hospitals. Years of experience in Columbus have shown its value.

How do I replace a lost badge? Please report your badge lost to Riverside Methodist Hospital - Protective Services immediately. A replacement badge (free of charge) can be obtain at Riverside with proper identification.

Please call The Columbus Metropolitan Area Church Council at (614) 461-7103 if you any questions.

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APPLICATION FORM

Please complete the requested information for your CID Badge:

TITLE _____

NAME _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (H) _____ PHONE (W) _____ E-MAIL _____

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION

ROMAN CATHOLIC _____ JEWISH _____ PROTESTANT _____ ORTHODOX _____ ISLAMIC _____

OTHER: (SPECIFY) _____

LOCAL AFFILIATION

COMPLETE NAME OF INSTITUTION _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

AUTHORIZATION

As evidence of your role as a clergy person within a religious institution, denomination or congregation, please present the following:

____ A letter from an officer of the body indicating you are recognized and designated for providing pastoral visitation. *Note: Will not be approved without this document.*

In addition, please include a copy of one (1) of the following:

____ Ordination Certificate

____ Verification of membership and employment within the religious body

____ Listing in an official journal of the religious body

____ Ohio Certificate of Authorization to Solemnize Marriage

APPLICATION FEE *Note: Will not be approved without fee.*

____ The \$15.00 application fee is enclosed.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Below is for CMACC Office use only

Rec'd ____ Approved ____ Disapproved ____ Fee Paid ____ New Badge ____ To Riverside ____