

**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER
CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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SUBJECT/TITLE: SPIRITUAL SUPPORT FOR PATIENTS AND FAMILIES

POLICY: When providing Clinical Social Work services to patients/families, it is occasionally determined that there is a need or desire for spiritual counseling, a referral will be made to the Olive View-UCLA Medical Center Pastoral Services Office or the patient’s clergy of preference.

PURPOSE: To ensure that patients/families receive the spiritual support they need or desire.

DEPARTMENTS: All

DEFINITIONS: Spiritual support is the emotional support provided by a religious organization.

PROCEDURE:

1. The Pastoral Services Office is located in Room 1D-142 at Extension 73081. There is an answering machine to cover times when the office is closed.
2. A Clergy List of other denominations can be obtained through the Pastoral Services Office or the Administrative Nurse’s office, ANO
3. All other emotional and attitudinal problems shall be handled by the Clinical Social Work staff based on established methodology and practice.

References:	
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