

**335.605 Definitions for KRS 335.600 to 335.699.**

As used in KRS 335.600 to 335.699, unless the context requires otherwise:

- (1) "Board" means the Kentucky Board of Certification of Fee-Based Pastoral Counselors;
- (2) "Certified fee-based pastoral counselor" or "certificate holder" means an ordained minister or the denominational equivalent who:
  - (a) Has completed a master of divinity degree and an advanced degree program in pastoral counseling, or an equivalent course of study approved by the board, from an accredited seminary or other accredited educational institution;
  - (b) Is certified by the board; and
  - (c) Receives fees or other compensation for the practice of pastoral counseling;
- (3) "Fee-based pastoral counseling" means the practice of pastoral counseling at an advanced level, equivalent to the standards of practice set by the American Association of Pastoral Counselors for the "fellow" level, that involves integrating spiritual resources with insights from the behavioral sciences, in exchange for a fee or other compensation; and
- (4) "Ordained minister or the denominational equivalent" means a person who has been called, elected, or otherwise authorized by a church, synagogue, denomination, or faith group through ordination, consecration, or equivalent means, to exercise within and on the behalf of the denomination or faith group specific religious leadership and service that furthers its purpose and mission.

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