

Background and Process

The Delegate's Office provides "a variety of pastoral, clinical, legal, financial and administrative activities which together constitute a continuum of services that is critical to the spiritual and emotional life of the clients involved in the program."

The data and information in this current report will be compared with the data included in previous Reports.

Section I: Staffing

There were no staffing changes during this year.

Section II: Caseload

1. DEFINITIONS:

a. Open:

A case in which one or more of the following issues are present or pending: canonical, pastoral, clinical or legal.

b. Inactive:

Although there have been unresolved canonical, pastoral, clinical or legal issues in the past, there is no present need to pursue the case.

c. Closed:

A case in which there have been canonical, pastoral, clinical or legal activities all of which have been resolved or are static and not amenable to resolution. In review Board cases, a case may be "Closed" with all of the restrictions remaining in place.

2. STATISTICS

A. Clergy:

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
<u>Open at year's end</u>						
Review Board:	90	68	57	39	30	32

"Other": 20**

(There are 20 "Other" cases that over the years were not appropriate for the Review Board but are included now to present a total caseload number. This number was decreased by 22 cases this year by "administrative closings" by staff. One past case was added)

* Case List: Appendix A

** Case List: Appendix B

Total number of individual clergy identified by complainants to date: 191

B. Client Complaints

	<u>94/ 95</u>	<u>95 /96</u>	<u>96 \97</u>	<u>97\98</u>	<u>98\99</u>	<u>99\00</u>
Diocesan	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>42*</u>
Religious Order:	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
Other:(E.g., Deacon,)	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>43</u>

* 29 of these cases relate to one former priest and began with a legal demand.

Total complaints from previous years: 360

TOTAL COMPLAINTS TO DATE: 402

C. Client Cases (Cases involved in pastoral support services)

	<u>94\95</u>	<u>95\96</u>	<u>96\97</u>	<u>97\98</u>	<u>98\99</u>	<u>99\00</u>
<u>Carried over:</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>65</u>
<u>New cases:</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>23</u> *
<u>Closed:</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>26</u>
<u>Active Cases:</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>62</u>

ACTUAL COUNSELING CASES: 39

* Seventeen of the twenty-three cases are related to one former priest.

Section III Treatment Services / Related Expenses

A. Clergy

a. In-patient

	<u>94\95</u>	<u>95\96</u>	<u>96\97</u>	<u>97\98</u>	<u>98\99</u>	<u>99\00</u>
<u>In-patient assessments</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>In-patient treatment:</u>						
Active:	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
New Cases:	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
Closed in year:	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
Carried over:	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>

b. Out-patient:

Out-patient assessments 9 1 1 1 0 0

Out-patient treatment:

	<u>94\95</u>	<u>95\96</u>	<u>96\97</u>	<u>97\98</u>	<u>98\99</u>	<u>99\00</u>
Active:	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>
New Cases :	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Closed in year:	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>
Carried Over:	<u>28</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>

<u>c. Total Costs:</u>	<u>In-patient</u> <u>Care</u>	<u>In-patient</u> <u>Assessments</u>	<u>Out-patient</u> <u>Care</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>COSTS</u>
<u>7-1-94 \ 6-30-95</u>	-	-	-	\$189,073
<u>7-1-95 \ 6-30-96</u>	\$132,087	\$10,312	\$57,594	\$194,993
<u>7-1-96 \ 6-30-97</u>	\$ 80,619	\$19,173.	\$53,941	\$153,734
<u>7-1-97 \ 6-30-98</u>	\$ 9,898.	\$ 6,466	\$23,317	\$ 39,681
<u>7-1-98 \ 6-30-99</u>	\$ 12,758	\$ 3,000.	\$10,829	\$ 25,587
<u>7-1-99 \ 6-30-00</u>	\$ 82,961		\$ 16,741	\$ 99,702
<u>1997 VARIANCE</u>	(51,468)	+ 8,861	(3,653)	(41,256)
<u>1998 VARIANCE</u>	(70,722)	(10,312)	(30,624)	(114,053)
<u>1999 VARIANCE</u>	+ 2,860	(3,466)	(12,488)	(13,094)
<u>2000 VARIANCE</u>	+ 70,203		+ 5,912	+ 73,115 **

** These costs are from the Tufts Health Plan. There is an additional amount of \$ that is a supplement from Archdiocesan funds for special situations.

NOTE: There are 83 priests of the Archdiocese taking advantage of the mental health benefit provided through the Tufts Health Plan. The total cost for this care is: \$171,373.

B. Clients

a. **Outpatient psychotherapy**

	<u>94 \ 95</u>	<u>95 \ 96</u>	<u>96 \ 97</u>	<u>97 \ 98</u>	<u>98 \ 99</u>	<u>99 \ 00</u>
Active:	<u>70</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>
New cases:	<u>18</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>24</u>
Closed in year:	<u>33</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>23</u>
Carried over:	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>39</u>

b. **Total costs:**

<u>94 \ 95</u>	<u>95 \ 96</u>	<u>96 \ 97</u>	<u>97 \ 98</u>	<u>98 \ 99</u>	<u>99 \ 00</u>
\$351,292.	\$218,085.	\$164,155	142,814	\$134,793	\$146,080

1998 VARIANCE: (21,441) 1999 VARIANCE: (8,020) 2000 VARIANCE: + 12,287

(NOTE: Approximately \$90,000 remains from the original funds.)

Section IV Legal Settlements

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
Settlements:	29	19	18	47	18
Total Costs:	1,535,000	1,018,000	2,365,482	10,689,000	3,365,000
Average:	53,000	53,578	131,415	227,426	186,945

*(NOTE: 1997: \$1,904,804 recovered from insurance. RCAB cost: \$460,677)

** (NOTE: 1998: \$9,274,000 recovered from insurance. RCAB cost: \$1,415,000)

(NOTE: 1999:

Section V Review Board And Case Review Activities

A. Review Board

	<u>94\ 95</u>	<u>95\96</u>	<u>96\97</u>	<u>97\98</u>	<u>98\99</u>	<u>99\00</u>
Number of meetings:	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>
Cases reviewed:	<u>27</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>9</u>
Average attendance	<u>(78%)</u>	<u>(81%)</u>	<u>(78%)</u>	<u>(78%)</u>	<u>(89%)</u>	<u>(89%)</u>

B. Case Reviews

The Delegate and staff continued to review cases on a regular basis.

Number of cases reviewed

<u>1994-95</u>	<u>1995-96</u>	<u>1996-97</u>	<u>1997-98</u>	<u>1998-99</u>	<u>1999-00</u>
<u>72</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>126 *</u>

* During this year, the staff did a review of all Review Board and other cases.

Section VI Support Services

In addition to the usual counseling services provided to clients, there are some instances in which a client needs the pastoral support of a meeting with an authority figure, viz., the Delegate or in some instances with His Eminence. A good deal of

preparation is needed for such meetings and when implemented have been very positive experiences for clients. A continuation of this intervention is important and the planning that supports such meetings is crucial to their success.

There continues to be a significant number of clients seen by Sr. Rita McCarthy after they have become involved with their own legal counsel. In the past, many of these clients were not interviewed by the office and as a result were not aware of the pastoral support that was available to them. This is a trend that has been reversed and these interventions will continue.

Section VII Unmet Needs and Trends

A. Unmet needs identified in the past and responses to these needs:

Need: "The need for a supervised residential program for priests".

Response:

At this time, there is a need for specialized housing on a case by case basis because there are instances in which a priest may not return to his previous ministry and is in need of an alternative residence while other plans are being finalized.

Need: Specialized ministry that is not parish ministry or ministry that involves minors.

Some explorations have been made through the chaplaincy program at Caritas Christi but more options need to be developed for priests who may not be able to return to full-time active parish ministry.

B. Trends within the program are as follows.

There will continue to be a **significant downturn in clergy who are identified as perpetrators**. Although there was an increase in complaints, a significant majority of these complaints were related to one priest. This is a trend that could continue during this coming year because of the publicity generated by this case.

The management of outpatient counseling for complainants has continued. There are a number of cases that have continued in long term psychotherapy and treatment planning will continue to monitor the realistic needs of clients.

The Review Board will continue to meet less frequently reflecting the decreased number of cases needing its attention. The process of returning cases to the Review Board for administrative closing or other action will continue and the Open Caseload will continue to diminish.