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Special Concerns & Protocol

The National Cursillo Movement is based on friendship with self, Christ and others. Therefore, as friends, we should make every effort to avoid problems, issues, conflict, etc. in the Movement. Problems, issues, conflict, etc. are referred as *special concerns* in Cursillo. Friendship should never be jeopardized because of a special concern. God's mercy and grace are greater than any problem we have.

The following Protocol should be used when a special concern needs to be addressed in Cursillo.

- All diocesan special concerns should be addressed and resolved by the Diocesan Secretariat. There is no need for the special concern to go beyond the diocese.
- When a diocesan special concern cannot be resolved by the Diocesan Secretariat, the Regional Coordinator and Regional Spiritual Advisor should be available to assist at the request of the Diocesan Lay Director.
- The Regional Coordinator should setup a meeting with the Diocesan Secretariat to dialogue about the special concern and offer assistance to arrive at a resolution.
- The Regional Coordinator should document the meeting minutes and a copy should be sent to the National Cursillo Center. The respective National Language Coordinator should be kept in the communication loop about the special concern.
- The Regional Coordinator should meet with Diocesan Secretariat as needed to continue the dialogue and provide assistance as needed.
- If a resolution is not reached after Regional Coordinator meets with the Diocesan Secretariat, the respective National Language Coordinator can be called in to assist with the special concern.
- The National Language Coordinator should setup a meeting with the Diocesan Secretariat and Regional Coordinator to continue the dialogue and provide assistance to resolve the special concern.
- If no resolution is reached after National Language Coordinator and Regional Coordinator meet with the Diocesan Secretariat, the special concern will be turned over to the local Bishop.
- The respective National Language Coordinator should contact the local Bishop to setup a meeting to discuss the on-going special concern. Representatives from the respective Diocesan Secretariat should attend the meeting with the Bishop. The Diocesan Secretariat should follow the guidance presented by the local Bishop.

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