

## Therapy and Counselling Fund Overview

Under the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991* (RHPA), each college is required to establish a program to provide funding for therapy or counselling for clients who were sexually abused by members of that college. The Patient (Client) Relations Committee determines eligibility and administers the fund.

The following information is intended for persons considering applying for funding from the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario (CRPO).

### Who is able to apply for funding?

A client is able to apply for funding when an allegation of sexual abuse has been made in a formal complaint or report about a Registered Psychotherapist.

### How much funding is available?

The maximum funding available to each applicant is established by the RHPA and amounts to approximately \$16,000 over a five-year period. Under the RHPA, applicants are required to use other available sources of funding, such as private insurance, first.

### Choice of Therapist/Counsellor

Applicants are free to choose any therapist or counsellor to provide treatment as long as the therapist or counsellor is not a relative and has not been found guilty of sexual abuse.

***Note: If the therapist or counsellor is not a member of a regulated profession, they are not subject to professional discipline by CRPO or by any other regulatory body.***

Applicants can use the funding to see more than one therapist or counsellor if they so choose. Funds are paid directly to the chosen therapist(s) or counsellor(s) for treatment provided.

### How do I apply?

Applicants must submit an application form and will be asked to keep any information about your application confidential.

[Download Form A: Funding for Therapy and Counselling Application](#) – to be completed by the applicant  
[Download Form B: Therapist/Counsellor Information](#) – to be completed by the therapist/counsellor

Completed applications should be returned to the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario via one of the methods listed below:

**Mail:** Attn: Client Relations Committee  
College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario 375  
University Avenue, Suite 803  
Toronto, ON M5G 2J5

**Email:** [clientrelations@crpo.ca](mailto:clientrelations@crpo.ca)

If you have further questions about the therapy and counselling fund, please e-mail:  
[clientrelations@crpo.ca](mailto:clientrelations@crpo.ca).