

Representation and Information Sharing Policies

Greetings and Endorsements on Behalf of the Presbytery *approved 7/23/09, last revised 11/17*

The Presbytery Leader, the Stated Clerk, and the Moderator of the Presbytery, are authorized to send greetings to various organizations on behalf of the Presbytery of Genesee Valley at their own discretion. Other persons may be authorized by the Big Picture Team to bring such greetings in specific circumstances.

Offering greetings does not imply endorsement of a particular organization's ideology or theological stance. To endorse means "to approve or ratify." Endorsement or ratification requires the approval of Presbytery, or the Big Picture Team acting on behalf of Presbytery.

Only persons authorized by Presbytery or Big Picture Team (when required by time constraints) may speak on behalf of Presbytery regarding particular issues, and then only on issues on which Presbytery has taken specific action.

It is advisable for those who address particular issues to present a written statement of the Presbytery's stance upon which the speaker would elaborate.

Executive staff persons, and elected leaders of Presbytery who speak publicly on issues without official authorization are urged to make it clear that their views do not necessarily reflect the view of the Presbytery and its member churches.

P3P Privacy Policy

P3P (Platform for Privacy Preferences Project) is an industry standard providing a simple, automated way for internet users to gain more control over the use of personal information on websites they visit. The Presbytery of Genesee Valley follows the P3P Privacy Policy. P3P enhances user control by putting privacy policies where users can find them, in a form they can understand, and, most importantly, it enables users to act on what they see. The full text of the privacy policy is available on at <http://www.pbygenval.org/w3c/privacy.shtml>.

What is P3P?

The **Platform for Privacy Preferences Project** (P3P), developed by the **World Wide Web Consortium** (W3C), is emerging as an industry standard providing a simple, automated way for users to gain more control over the use of personal information on Web sites they visit.

At its most basic level, P3P is a standardized set of multiple-choice questions, covering all the major aspects of a Web site's privacy policies. Taken together, they present a clear snapshot of how a site handles personal information about its users.

P3P enabled Web sites make this information available in a standard, machine-readable format. P3P enabled browsers can "read" this snapshot automatically and compare it to the consumer's own set of privacy preferences.

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This is the privacy policy for Presbytery of Genesee Valley.

Our homepage on the Web is located at <http://www.pbygenval.org/>. The full text of our privacy policy is available on the Web at <https://pbygenval.org/p3p-privacy-policy/>. We do not have an “opt-in” or “opt-out” page because we have no control over the collection of access log data and we collect no other data about our visitors. Thus, there is nothing to opt-in to or opt-out of.

We invite you to contact us if you have questions about this policy. You may contact us by mail at the following address:

Presbytery of Genesee Valley
1049 Wegman Road, Rochester, NY 14624, USA

You may contact us by e-mail at office@pbygenval.org. You may phone us at 585-242-0080.

Dispute Resolution and Privacy Seals

We have no privacy seals or other assurance mechanisms. The fees charged by the various authentication services are simply too high. You’ll just have to trust that we are who we say we are, that the statements made in this policy are true and that we’ll do our best to resolve any disputes over this policy that you may have.

Data Collection

P3P policies declare the data they collect in groups (also referred to as “statements”). This policy contains one (1) data group.

Group: “Access Log Information”

We collect the following information:

- Complete host and domain name
- Full IP address
- Request date
- Request time
- URI of requested resource
- HTTP request method
- Response status code
- Data bytes in response
- Last URI requested by the user
- Search terms
- User agent information
- Computer information
- User’s interaction with a page or resource
- Navigation and click-stream data

The following explanation is provided for why these data are collected:

Our Web server collects access logs containing this information.

These data are used by ourselves and our agents for the following purposes:

- Completion and support of the current activity
- Web site and system administration

- Research and development
- Anonymous user analysis
- Anonymous user profiling and decision-making

These data are retained on our web server for up to sixty-two (62) days and are archived offline indefinitely.

Cookies

A cookie is an element of data that a Web site can send to your browser, which may then in turn, store it on your system.

“Good” cookies are a technology which can be used to provide you with tailored information from a Web site such as shopping carts or remembering your personal preferences.

“Bad” cookies enable a party to collect personal information about you and track your web browsing activity on sites other than their own without your consent or knowledge.

You can set your browser to notify you when you receive a cookie, giving you the chance to decide whether or not to accept it. Newer browsers ([see below](#)) let you change your privacy settings to automatically accept or refuse cookies based upon their nature and origin.

We do not make use of HTTP cookies.

For information on how to view and change your cookie privacy settings:

- in IE6, see Microsoft’s [Internet Explorer Web Privacy page](#).
- in Netscape 6, see [Netscape 6 – Safety with More Control](#).
- in Opera 5 or 6, see [Opera Preferences: Privacy](#).

Policy Evaluation

Microsoft Internet Explorer 6 will evaluate this policy’s compact policy whenever it is used with a cookie. The actions IE6 will take depend on what privacy level the user has selected in their browser (Low, Medium, Medium High, or High; the default is Medium. In addition, IE6 will examine whether the cookie’s policy is considered satisfactory or unsatisfactory, whether the cookie is a session cookie or a persistent cookie, and whether the cookie is used in a first-party or third-party context.

Satisfactory policy: This compact policy is considered satisfactory according to the rules defined by Internet Explorer 6. If we used them, IE6 would accept cookies accompanied by this policy under the High, Medium High, Medium, Low, and Accept All Cookies settings.

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