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CLIENT INFORMED CONSENT

I consent to receive counseling from Heidi Shirley LCSW. I acknowledge that I am here voluntarily and that I may terminate treatment at any time. I realize that there is no guarantee of improvement of my condition. I acknowledge that any treatment will be a cooperative effort between me and Heidi Shirley LCSW. I agree to actively participate in our counseling sessions.

I understand that after 1 month of no contact with my therapist, my case will be closed, and an appointment slot may not be available if I chose to restart therapy at a later time.

I understand that if I no show for any appointments, my therapist has the right to close my case and will provided appropriate referrals.

The following are the basic rights of individuals participating in counseling/therapy:

- *The right to be informed of the various steps and activities involved in receiving services
- *The right to confidentiality under federal and state laws
- *The right to humane care and protection from harm, abuse, and neglect
- *The right to make an informed decision regarding whether to accept or reject treatment
- *The right to contact, consult with an select practitioners of my choice and at my expense

I understand that confidentiality of records or other information collected about me will be held or released in accordance with state laws regarding confidentiality of such records and information. I understand that the confidentiality of my record may be breached under the following circumstances:

- 1. If I sign a waiver requesting a release of information
- 2. If a court orders the release of my records
- 3. If I am a danger to myself or others which requires me to report or provide protection Actual or suspected abuse of a minor, developmentally disabled person or an elderly person. Your therapist is a mandated reporter

I understand that if I or anyone else, with proper release of information, ask my therapist to prepare paperwork for an outside party, I will be charged \$50 for each document.

I understand that my therapist will not attend any court proceedings.

I am aware that an agent of my insurance company will be given information about the type, cost, dates, and providers of any service I receive per billing procedures.

I have read and understood the above
Date
Therapist
Therapist
Date
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Parent/Guardian if under 19
Parent/Guardian if under 18
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Parent/Guardian if under 18