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Welcome to this professional psychology practice! Please complete one form for each child or minor. This is a strictly confidential patient medical record.

## 1. Child's Information

Legal Name: Last:	First:		Middle initial:			
Date of birth:	_ Age: Gender: female r	male				
Last 4 digits of Social Security #: XXX-XX	Photo ID/Driver's license #: _					
Race/Ethnicity: African-Am Asian (Specify)	Caucasian Hispar	nic Native Am Pa	acific Islander Other			
Handedness: Right Left Ambidextrous Height:'" Weight:lbs.						
Home address:	City:		_ State: Zip:			
Child's Cell Phone (if applicable):	Email:					
Child's Doctor:	Phone	e:				
Emergency contact name and phone number:						
Parent/Guardian Contact Information:						
1) Mother Name:	Date of Birth:					
Address: Home phone: Cell Phone:		S	State: Zip:			
Home phone:	OK to leave messages? □ yes □	no				
Work Phone:	_OK to leave messages? $\square$ yes $\square$	no				
Email:						
How and when do you prefer to be contacted?						
2) Father						
Name:	Date of Birth:					
Address:		S	state: Zip:			
Home phone:	OK to leave messages? ☐ ves ☐	no				
Cell Phone:	)K to leave messages? ☐ ves ☐	no .				
Work Phone:	OK to leave messages?	no				
Email:						
	How and when do you prefer to be contacted?					
•						
3) Identify: Stepfather Stepmother Gua						
Name:	Date of Birth:					
Address:		S	state: Zip:			
Home phone:	OK to leave messages? $\square$ yes $\square$	no				
Cell Phone:(	)K to leave messages? □ yes □	no				
Work Phone:	_OK to leave messages? $\square$ yes $\square$	no				
Email:						
How and when do you prefer to be contacted?						
• •						
Which Parent/Guardian(s) will be the prima	y contact person?:					
How did your family hear of this practice? $\ \Box$	web □ referral □ phone book	□ other:				
2. Presenting Problems / Reason for to	day's appointment:					
What are the problems that caused you to see						
	Charp for time ormu:					
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Check any that apply: Victim Witness case? Employee Assistance Program (EAP)? Mood/anxiety? Neurocognitive? Oppositional? Conduct		ems? Learning problems?
3. Payment / Insurance Information		
We will be paying for these sessions by cash, personal check, o We would like insurance to be billed and have received approva		
Please complete ALL below information if billing insurance: Insurance company:	Insured's ID numb	er:
Policy group name/number:	Plan name/number:	
Copay: Deductible:	Number of appointments app	roved:
Insured's Relationship to Child: self Mother Father Guard	dian other relationship	
Insured's name: Last MI First	Birthda	ateGender
Insured's address:	City	StateZip
Insured's employer:		
3. Family History		
Where was the child born?	Raised?	
US Citizen? □ yes □ no Date citizenship received	If immigrated, when?	from where?
Child is living with: Both Parents Mother Father Mother a Other (please specify)		epmother Legal Guardian
Is the child adopted? □ yes □ no If yes, with which parent(s) (if any) does the child live? Natural_	_Adoptive Child's age at add	pption
Status of parents' marriage: Married Separated Divorced How long married? How long divorced?	_Widowed Single Child's age at divorce	
Birth Mother:	_	
Age: Highest Grade Completed: Diplor Please describe any special education or tutoring:	na/Degree:	Occupation:
Please describe and grades repeated or subjects failed: Please describe any learning difficulty, and subject and grade le		
Please describe any behavior problems and treatment received:		
Please describe any psychological or psychiatric problems for w		
Any Attention-Deficit Disorder or hyperactivity? Please describe		
Any Attention-Deficit Disorder of hyperactivity? Please describe	treatment.	
Birth Father:  Age: Highest Grade Completed: Diplor  Please describe any special education or tutoring:	na/Degree:	_Occupation:
Please describe any special education or tutoring:  Please describe and grades repeated or subjects failed:  Please describe and grades repeated or subjects failed:		
Please describe any learning difficulty, and subject and grade le		
Please describe any behavior problems and treatment received:		
Please describe any psychological or psychiatric problems for w		
Any Attention-Deficit Disorder or hyperactivity? Please describe	treatment:	

Adoptive	Mother_	_ °	or Stepn	nother c	or Other	(	check one)	
Age:	High	est	Grade (	Completed	:	Diploma/	Degree:	Occupation:
Adoptive	Father_	_ 0	r Stepfa	ther or	Other	(ch	eck one)	
Age:	High	est	Grade (	Completed	:	Diploma/	Degree:	Occupation:
Other Chil		ling	s and ha	alf-siblings	) Please fill o	out chart below	. For more	space use page 10.
Name				Age / G	ender	In home?	School/b	behavioral/health problems
					□M □F	□ yes □ no		
					□M □F	□ yes □ no		
					□M □F	□ yes □ no		
					□M □F	□ yes □ no		
					□M □F	□ yes □ no		
Please des	scribe th	e c	hild's pa	rents' relat	ionship with	one another _		
Please des	scribe th	ес	hild's rel	ationship v	vith each pa	rent		
Please des	scribe th	e c	hild's pa	rents' phys	sical health,	drug or alcoho	l use, menta	tal or emotional difficulties
Please des	scribe th	e c	hild's rel	ationship v	vith his or he	er brothers and	sisters	
Was the ch	hild ever	ab	used? [	] yes □ no	)	Pleas	se describe	circumstances, child's age, and effects on him or her
inattentive	tended f ness or / difficult	am hyp y; I	ily memb eractivit earning	y; epilepsy oroblems o	r; seizures; r or developm	nigraines; alco	holism or su s; and/or a	unt, cousins) suffer from a problem with ubstance abuse; psychological, emotional, or "nervous" or neurological disorder; etc.? □yes □no
M	laternal	(M	other's	Side)				Paternal (Father's Side)
For more			aga 10					
For more s	•	•				. ,		
						's extended fai or psychologica		ight help us understand the child's needs (medical,

## 4. Birth and Developmental History

Pregnancy Full term Any illnesses or c	Premature omplication	at w s while	eek #_ pregn	ant?	_ _ yes	Late at week #s \( \text{no If yes, please explain:} \)	
Medications taker	n by mother	during	<b>g</b> pregr	nancy	? Ple	ease list:	
<ul><li>☐ Cigarettes</li><li>☐ Alcohol</li><li>☐ Drugs</li></ul>	ubstances used <b>during</b> pregnancy:  Cigarettes How many?per □day □week  Alcohol How many drinks?per □day □week □month  Drugs Please describe type(s) of drug, frequency of use, and at what month of pregnancy use was stopped (if applicable):						
Was the father tal	king any me	edicatio	ons or o	drugs	at the	e time of conception?   yes   no If so, what?	
Did the mother su	iffer abuse	during	pregna	ancy?	□ ye	s □ no What?	
How many pregna	ancies and/	or misc	arriage	es has	s the	mother had?	
<b>Labor and Delive</b> Delivery: Vaginal_		_ Bread	ch				
Was the birth of the	ne child "no	rmal?"	□ yes	□ no	If no	, please explain:	
Do you think the o	child's probl	lems m	ight be	e relate	ed to	pregnancy, labor, or delivery? □ yes □ no If yes, please explain:	
Perinatal History Birth weight: Did the mother or						APGAR Scores:	
Please list any bir	th defects:						
the behavior on th	child on the ne right was	followi presei	nt the r	majori	ty of	cle 1 if the behavior on the left was present the majority of the time. Circle 5 if the time. Stages in between are represented by 2, 3, and 4. If there are two lease check the one that was present.	
Quiet and content Very easy to feed Slept well Usually relaxed Underactive		2 2	3 3 3 3	4 4 4 4	5 5 5 5 5	colicky and irritable daily feeding problems frequent sleeping problems often restless overactive	
Cuddly, easy to he Easily calmed down Cautious and care Coordinated	old 1 wn 1 eful 1	2 2 2 2	3 3 3 3	4 4 4 4	5 5 5 5	did not enjoy cuddling  □ tantrums □ headbanging  □ accident prone □ daredevil uncoordinated	
Enjoyed eye conta Liked people	act 1 1		3 3	4 4	5 5	avoided eye contact disliked contact with people	
Other problems o	r comments	s regard	ding inf	fancy	or ea	arly childhood development:	

					urb any early infant/mother bonding or the devidition/injury, treatment, and surgery, when, ho		
Please des	scribe your ch	nild as an infai	nt (tempera	amen	t, sleeping, eating patterns, etc.):		
Gross Motor Fine Motor Language: Social/Ada	in child's age or: crawled_ : fed self wit used single ptive: potty t	h spoonw		potty	ran well  d tied shoes  tences (2+ words) described act trained/night st	ivity	
5. Medica	al History						
Child's prin	nary care phy	ysician:			Pho	ne:	
Date of las	t physical ex	amination?			Findings if any?		
					and injuries, surgeries, hospitalizations, convect (list additional information on page 10):	ulsions, s	eizures and/or any
Age	Illness/Inj	ury/Medical P	roblem	Trea	atment	Result	
Does the c	hild have any	y allergies? (fo	ood, drug,	etc.) [	□ yes □ no If yes, please describe them:	•	
Any diet re	strictions? _						
Please list	medications	(with dosage	and times)	that	have been taken by the child, including nonpro	escription	medications:
Drug		Dose	Help	os?	Reason		Taking presently?
			+	_			
			+	-			
			+	-			
			+	-			

Past/current medical history (please circle any specifics that apply):

Cardio Vascular: murmurs, angina, tachycardia, shortness of breath, fainting, MCI, arrhythmia,

Central Nervous System: headache, migraine, TBI, tremors, dizziness, LOC, myasthenia gravis, tumor, seizures, MS, TIAs,

neurosurgery, fetal alcohol syndrome, down syndrome <u>Skin</u>: psoriasis, eczema, hair loss, itching, rashes, acne, surgery

Endocrine: polydipsia, polyuria, diabetes, hyperthyroidism, polycystic ovarian syndrome, other, surgeries

<u>Ear Eye Nose Throat</u>: pains, halo around light, blurring, red eye, double vision, floaters, tinnitus, ear pain, Otis media, hoarseness, other, surgeries

<u>Gastrointestinal:</u> hausearvorniting, diarrnea, constipation, GERD, Cronn's, collus, car <u>Respiratory</u> : chronic cough, sore throat, bronchitis, asthma, COPD, pneumonia, canc <u>Genital/reproductive</u> : amenorrhea, discharges, incontinence bowel/bladder, UTI, pelv <u>History of</u> : enuresis, encopresis, bruxism, night terrors, nightmares, cancer, phobias:	cer, sleep apnea, surgery vic pain, renal, cancer, surgeries
Has your child ever had a head injury? □yes □no Describe:Was he or she	
Do you see your child as being □ hyperactive? □ inattentive? □ a behavioral proble	em?
Does your child seem to be able to control his or her behavior and attention? $\Box$ yes $\Box$	no Please explain:
Has your child ever been diagnosed by a psychologist, physician, or other profession Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder)? □yes □no If yes, When?	
What treatment (not medication) has your child had for ADHD?	
What medication (include dosage and times) has your child received for ADHD?	
Please describe any other handicapping conditions or special health considerations a	
Date of last hearing test: Result: Why?	Does the child wear □ glasses? □ contacts?
The child's current health is: □ poor □ fair □ good □ excellent	
6. Self Care Information	
What type of physical exercise does your child get weekly?	
What in his/her life is currently stressful?	
What does he/she do for stress management?	
When does he/she go to sleep?How long does it take to fall asleep?	When does he/she wake up?
What does he/she do to help fall asleep?If he/she wakes up in	n the middle of sleep, for how long?
Has his/her weight fluctuated in the past 2 months? □ yes □ no By how much?	lbsgained lost
Has he/she restricted his/her eating in any way? □ yes □ no How? Why?	
7. Behavior and Mental Health History	
Please describe any behaviors that are particularly concerning to you or others:	
Please list any unusual, traumatic, or possibly stressful events in your child's life that her development and current functioning. Include incident, child's age at the time, and	
Has the child or family received any professional mental health treatment, such as inepsychiatric or psychological treatment, alcohol treatment etc.? □yes □no If yes, please list provider's name(s) and dates of service	

Describe the treatments:				7
Does your child have a current n	nental health diagno	sis? □yes □no Wl	nat?	
Has your child ever taken medica	ations for psychiatric	or emotional prob	lems? □yes □no Adherence to pre	scription: full, partial, non
If yes, please list medication(s),	dose, duration, probl	em(s) and results:		
Prior psychiatric hospitalizations Prior out treatment: Prior therapy?	yes □ no Whe □ yes □ no Whe □ yes □ no Whe	n? n?	How long? How long? How long?	
Has your child heard, seen or se Describe:			ot hear, see or sense? □yes □no Wi	hen?
Has your child ever had thoughts	s of suicide? □ yes □	no When?	How long?	
Has your child ever attempted su	uicide? □ yes □ no V	Vhen?	By what means?	
Has your child ever thought of hu	urting themself? □ye	s □no When?	How long? SOME	ONE ELSE? □ yes □ no
Has your child ever attempted to	hurt themself? □yes	s □no When?	How long? SOME	ONE ELSE? □ yes □ no
Self harm? Aggression? (check a eating dirt or other materials h			g picking at skin pulling out hair	hurt animals
Has your child ever been abused Had a child protective services o	d/tortured? □yes □nd r police call? Who	o Physically eme en?	otionally sexually verbally Ex _ Regarding what?	plain:
Please indicate whether or not ye	our child is currently	/ / recently experi	encing any of the following symptom	s:
Suicidal thoughts/impulse Appetite problems	□ yes □ □ yes □	no Sleep p	dal thoughts/impulses roblems	□ yes □ no □ yes □ no
Isolation/social withdraw Phobia	□ yes □ □ yes □		/panic /purging	□ yes □ no □ yes □ no
Poor impulse control	□ yes □		e toward others	□ yes □ no
Destruction of property Confused or irrational thinking	□ yes □ □ yes □		e or unusual behavior come thoughts or behaviors	□ yes □ no □ yes □ no
Self-harm	□ yes □		or seeing things others do not	□ yes □ no
Preoccupations	□ yes □		Isive behaviors	□ yes □ no
Fluctuations in your mood Trouble making decisions	□ yes □		ng things that crowd things out preoccupation	□ yes □ no
People bugging you about intern	□ yes □ et use □ yes □		nship problems with a parent/sibling	□ yes □ no □ yes □ no
Relationship problems at work	□ yes □			□ yes □ no
Problems with gambling	□ yes □	no Depres	sion	□ yes □ no
If you answered yes to any of the	e above questions, p	lease supply detai	ls:	
Present Personality and Behav	vior			
Please circle all traits that apply				
sad happy	-	leader	follower	moody
friendly quiet		overactive	independent	dependent
sensitive affect	ionate	fearful	cooperative	tantrums
lethargic too re	esponsible	trouble sleeping	hard to discipline	even-tempered
prefers to be alone				

# 8. Drug and Alcohol History

Child has never	used drugs or	alcohol	_ (skip to section	on 8)			
las your child ever injected drugs?   yes   no   yes   yes   no   yes   no   yes   no   yes   no   yes   yes   no   yes   yes   no   yes   yes   no   yes   yes   no   yes   yes							
Has your child ev				thinner?		yes □ no	
Has your child ev	er used cough s	yrup or mouthwa	sh as a psycho	active drug?		yes □ no	
Has your child us Has your child ev						yes □ no yes □ no	
rias your crilia ev	rei been in troub	ie with the law be	cause of diffici	ig or drug use:		yes 🗆 110	
If you answered y amounts, how an			, please supply	details about the o	child's use of drug	s or chemicals in	cluding
Please fill in your entered rehab	child's age in re	lation to the first	and last uses of	the following subs	stances, and the a	age (if applicable)	he or she
Substance	Age 1 <sup>st</sup> use	Age last use	Age rehab	Substance	Age 1 <sup>st</sup> use	Age last use	Age rehab
Alcohol				PCP			
Meth				Hallucinogen			
Coke / Crack Heroin/opium				Tobacco Pills			
Cannabis				Ecstacy/MDMA			
9. Educational  Did your child atte	History end preschool or d school:	r daycare? If so, I	ist location, type	e of program, num	ber of days a wee	ek, age when star	
Briefly describe y	our child's perfo	rmance and any	concerns in eac	h grade:			
Kindergarten							
1 <sup>st</sup> grade							
2 <sup>nd</sup> grade							
What are the chil	d's grades in sch	nool? Failing B	elow Average_	_Average Good rst subject(s)	Excellent		
Learning disabilit	y? □ yes	□ no What?	South Rascom	Avenue Suite 26	5 Campbell CA	How long?	

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Special education?	□ yes □ no What?		How lo	ong?
Special assistance? Speech assistance?	□ yes □ no What? □ yes □ no What?		How Id	ong?ong?
Speech assistance:	□ yes □ no what?		110W IC	ліg :
If your child has been pla	ced in special education progra	ams currently or in the past, wh	nat is the category? _	
If your child is/ was recei	ving tutoring, for what subjects?	?		
Friends Cheating St	rouble in school with any of the ealing Fighting Setting fire oo much in class Not sitting	s Skipping school Runnir	ng away Using drug	gs/alcohol Isolating
10. Employment Info	<u>rmation</u>		Currently Em	nployed? □ yes □ no
Employer:	Position	n:Length	:Reason for L	eaving:
Employer:	Position	n:Length	:Reason for L	eaving:
Can the child work part ti	me? □ yes □ no Why?/why no	ot?	Doing What?	
11. Legal History				
Has vour child ever been	arrested? □ yes □ no For Wh	nat? Wh	nen?	Years
Charged with a misdeme	anor? □ yes □ no What?	Wh	en?	Years
Charged with a felony?	□ yes □ no What? □ yes □ no For Wi	Wh	ien?	Years
Been to Juvenile Hall?	□ yes □ no For Wh	nat? Wh	nen?	_Years
Been to state/federal/you	th prison? ☐ yes ☐ no For Wh	hat? Wh	nen?	_Years
Is your child now on prob	ation? □ yes □ no Until?	On parole? □ yes □ no  U	Intil? Ende	ed when?
12. Personal				
What are your child's hob	bbies?			
What are some of his or	ner character strengths?			
What are some of his or	ner character shortcomings?			
Does he or she have reli	gious or spiritual interests or pra	actices? □ yes □ no	Please explain:	
What do you believe a th	erapist/evaluator should be like	?		
What is he or she prepar	ed to change about his or herse	elf? How?		
40. Additional lusarius	-41			_
13. Additional Inform	<u>ation</u>			
Please attach results of a	ny previous testing.			
Please add any additiona	I comments you think might be	helpful:		
Signature:			Date:	

Thank you for your time in completing this form. Please present it at your first appointment. This is a strictly confidential patient medical record.

Individual completing form, relationship to child

Further Notes / Elaborations:	

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## LIMITS OF CONFIDENTIALITY

Contents of all therapy sessions are considered to be confidential. Both verbal information and written records about a client cannot be shared with another party without the written consent of the client or the client's legal guardian. Noted exceptions are as follows:

### **DUTY TO WARN AND PROTECT**

When a client discloses intentions or a plan to harm another person, the mental health professional is required to warn the intended victim and report this information to legal authorities. In cases in which the client discloses or implies a plan for suicide, the health care professional is required to notify legal authorities and make reasonable attempts to notify the family of the client.

#### ABUSE OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

If a client states or suggests that he or she is abusing a child (or vulnerable adult) or has recently abused a child (or vulnerable adult), or a child (or vulnerable adult) is in danger of abuse, the mental health professional is required to report this information to the appropriate social service and/or legal authorities.

### PRENATAL EXPOSURE TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

Mental Health care professionals are required to report admitted prenatal exposure to controlled substances that are potentially harmful.

#### MINORS / GUARDIANSHIP

Parents or legal guardians of non-emancipated minor clients have the right to access the clients' records.

### INSURANCE PROVIDERS (when applicable)

Insurance companies and other third-party payers are given information that they request regarding services to clients.

Information that may be requested includes, but is not limited to: types of service, dates/times of service, diagnosis, treatment plan, description of impairment, progress of therapy, case notes, and summaries.

I agree to the above limits of confidentiality and understand t	their meanings and ramifications
	Client signature (Client's parent/guardian if under 18)
Today's date	

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## **CANCELLATION POLICY**

If you fail to cancel a scheduled appointment, we cannot use this time for another client and you will be billed for the entire cost of your missed appointment.

A full session fee is charged for missed appointments or cancellations with less than a 24-hour notice unless it is due to illness or an emergency. A bill will be mailed directly to all clients who do not show up for or cancel an appointment.

Thank you for your consideration regarding this important matter.

I understand the cancellation policy outlined above	
	Client signature (Client's parent/guardian if under 18)
Today's date	

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# DISCLOSURE AUTHORIZATION FORM

Please sign the statement below giving your permission for me to communicate with individuals or agencies on your, or your dependent's behalf.

I (your name),	_
hereby give consent to <u>David F. Dahl, Ph.D.</u> to release or receive any	information deemed necessary to or from:
name of individual or providing agency	
address	
phone	_
fax	_
which is relevant to the purpose stated below, from the case records o	f:
(name of patient)	_
Your relationship to the patient (circle one) self spo	ouse parent child personal representative
for the purpose of: (check one)	
□ Evaluation	
□ Treatment	
Other:	_
This authorization is valid for □ one year □ until revoked by me	□ indefinite.
<b>Authorization and signature</b> : I authorize the release of my confidenti my directions above. I understand that this authorization is voluntary, by law, and the use/disclosure is to be made to conform to my direction that is used and/or disclosed pursuant to this authorization unless the use and/or disclosure of my confidential protected health information.	that the information to be disclosed is protected ns. The recipient may re-disclose the information
Signature:Personal repre	esentative:
Print name:Personal repre	esentative:
Signature:Personal repre	esentative:
Print name:Personal repre	esentative:
Data:	

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## PATIENT RIGHTS AND HIPAA AUTHORIZATION

The following specifies your rights about this authorization under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended from time to time ("HIPAA").

- 1. Tell your psychologist if you do not understand this authorization, and the psychologist will explain it to you.
- 2. You have the right to revoke or cancel this authorization at any time, except: (a) to the extent information has already been shared based on this authorization: or (b) this authorization was obtained as a condition of obtaining insurance coverage. To revoke or cancel this authorization, you must submit your request in writing to the provider at the following address:

David F. Dahl, Ph.D., 2542 South Bascom Avenue, Suite 265, Campbell, CA 95008.

- 3. You may refuse to sign this authorization. Your refusal to sign will not affect your ability to obtain treatment or payment or your eligibility for benefits. If you refuse to sign this authorization, and you are requesting a psychological evaluation for the purposes of:
  - i. A court order
  - ii. An attorney's recommendation
  - iii. A pre-employment screening evaluation
  - A legal matter in which your mental status is at question, you must be aware that your refusal iv. cancels the purpose for which the evaluation was ordered or recommended and you will still be held responsible for the fees ordinarily charged for this evaluation by the psychologist up to the point of the refusal.

If you refused to sign this authorization, and you are in a research-related treatment program or have authorized your provider to disclose information about you to a third party, your provider has the right not to treat you or accept you as a patient in this practice.

- 4. Once the information about you leaves this office according to the terms of this authorization, this office has no control over how it will be used by the recipient. You need to be aware that at that point your information may no longer be protected by HIPAA.
- 5. If this office initiates this authorization, you must receive a copy of the signed authorization.
- 6. Special instructions for completing this authorization for the use and disclosure of Psychotherapy Notes. HIPAA provides special protections to certain medical records known as "Psychotherapy Notes". All Psychotherapy Notes recorded on any medium (i.e., paper, electronic) by a mental health professional (such as a psychologist or psychiatrist) must be kept by the author and filed separate from the rest of the client's medical records to maintain a higher standard of protection. "Psychotherapy Notes" are defined under HIPAA as notes recorded by a health care provider who is a mental health professional documenting or analyzing the contents of conversation during a private counseling session or a group, joint or family counseling session and that are separate from the rest of the individual's medical records. Excluded from the "Psychotherapy Notes" definition are the following: (a) medication prescription and monitoring, (b) counseling session start and stop times, (c) the modalities and frequencies of treatment furnished, (d) the results of clinical tests, and (e) any summary of: diagnosis, functional status, the treatment plan, symptoms, prognosis, and progress to date. In order for a medical provider to release "Psychotherapy Notes" to a third party, the client who is the subject of the Psychotherapy Notes must sign this authorization to specifically allow for the release of Psychotherapy Notes. Such authorization must be separate from an authorization to release other medical records.
- 7. According to HIPAA, you have the right to review the record within 10 days of your request. You will be charged the full hourly fee for reviewing the record in the office with the psychologist.
- 8. According to HIPAA, you have the right to a summary of the record within 15 days of your request. You will be charged the equivalent of the hourly fee required by the psychologist to review and summarize the record. This summary will be one page, brief and general. If there are more than one person in the record, each party will receive the same summary.

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