

LIMITS OF CONFIDENTIALITY

Because we wish to maintain the strongest possible confidential relationship, information received in session will not be released without the client's informed and explicit consent, or in accordance with specific legal requirements. The following may be reasons to release confidential information without the client's consent:

- If the therapist is ordered by the court to release information (However, I do not get involved in litigation)
- If the therapist has reason to suspect child abuse/neglect or the abuse of an elderly or dependent adult.
- If the knowledge of such information is necessary to protect the health and safety of the client or other persons
- If the therapist must send the case to collections for reimbursement of fees
- If the therapist must comply with the Patriot Act

I understand that information provided by me, either verbally or in writing, is confidential unless:

- 1. I authorize release of information with a signature.**
- 2. The therapist is ordered by a court to release information.**
- 3. When I present a physical danger to myself or others, the therapist is required by law to contact legal authorities and/or potential victims.**
- 4. When child abuse/neglect or the abuse of an elderly person or dependent adult is suspected, the therapist is required by law to notify legal authorities.**
- 5. When the therapist must involve a collection agency for reimbursement.**
- 6. When the therapist must comply with the guidelines of the Patriot Act.**

I also agree to provide at least 24 hours notification if I must miss a scheduled therapy appointment. Otherwise, I understand I am responsible for payment of the \$175 No Show/Late Cancellation fee.

Client Signature

Date