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#### **CHILD INFORMATION FORM**

Please allow approximately 30 – 45 minutes to complete this form. Because there are so many potential influences on a child's behavior, we request quite a bit of information from families at the start of therapy. This enables us to better identify the issue at hand and develop the most effective plan possible to support your child. Your family's information will remain confidential, so please answer as openly and honestly as possible. The more information we have, the better equipped we are to help.

Person Preparing tl	nis Form:	Today's Date:	
Relationship to Ch	ild:		
I. DEMOGRAPHIC	INFORMATION		
Child's Information			
Child's Name:		Date of birth:	Age:
Nicknames:			
Current Home Add	ress:		
Phone Number (if a	oplicable):	email (if applicable):	
<u>Custody Status</u> What was the parent	s' relationship status when the chil	d was born?	
☐ Married	☐ Together but Not Legally M	arried	or Married
•	ied or together, are they still?		
w no is the child's pi	rimary caregiver? (May be more than	n one.)	
Who has legal custoo	ly of the child (legal authority to m	nake major decisions pertaining to	the child)?
	stody of the child/who does the ch	•	l, please describe the custody

# Caregivers

Please list parents and primary caregivers. Use back if additional space is necessary.

Parent/Caregiver Name:	Date of birth:	Age:
Relationship to Child		
Home street address:	Apt	.:
City:	State:	Zip:
Cell phone:	Home phone:	
Work phone:	email:	
Employer:	Job Title:	
Parent/Caregiver Name:	Date of birth:	Age:
Relationship to Child		
Home street address:	Apt	.:
City:	State:	Zip:
Cell phone:	Home phone:	
Work phone:	email:	
Employer:	Job Title:	
Stepparent/Other Caregiver Name:	Date of birth:	Age:
Relationship to Child		
Home street address:	Apt	.:
City:	State:	Zip:
Cell phone:	Home phone:	
Work phone:	email:	
Employer:	Job Title:	
Stepparent/Other Caregiver Name:	Date of birth:	Age:
Relationship to Child		
Home street address:	Apt	.:
City:	State:	Zip:
Cell phone:	Home phone:	
Work phone:	email:	

Employer:	Job Title:			_
Phonecalls from Our Office				
Calls or e-mail will be discreet, b	out please indicate any restrictions: _			
May we send a text message app	ointment reminder the day before yo	our scheduled appointment?	Yes	$\square$ No
If yes, please provide a cell	phone number for the text message to	be sent:		<u>.</u>
Torres and Traffic and Atlanta				
Insurance Information				
			_	
	r sponsor's social security #):			
	nsor/primary insured:   Self	_		
	are, enter sponsor's Social Security #):			
Sponsor job title & employer (M	Iilitary, enter branch, MOS & rank): _			
Emergency Contact  Name:	Relationship:	Phone:		
How did you learn about us?				
	y Today 🛘 Insurance Directory 🗀			
, , , ,	ermission to thank this person for th		□ No	
If referred, how did this person	explain how we might be of help to	you?		
II. CULTURE & IDENTITY				
Race/Ethnicity				
Ethnicity/national origin:		Race:		
Other related way your family of	or child identifies:			

# Religion/Spirituality The family's current religious denomination/affiliation: Family's Religious/Spiritual Involvement: ☐ None ☐ Some/Irregular □ Active Child's Religious/Spiritual Involvement: Which (if any) church, synagogue, temple, or meeting are you involved with? Gender Identity Child's Gender Has your child had any difficulty identifying with their birth gender? ☐ No ☐ Yes If yes (your child has had difficulty), please describe: Sexual Orientation Is your child's sexual orientation currently an issue or focus for them? \(\sim\) No \(\sim\) Yes If yes (your child's sexual orientation is currently an issue or focus in their life), please describe: III. RESIDENTIAL AND FAMILY HISTORY **Residential History:** Please list all the places your child has lived. Year - Year City, State Reason for moving Any issues transitioning? **Household Information**: Please list all people living in your child's household (use back for additional people).

Name	Relationship to Patient	Age	Profession

# Family Tree:

Please list any immediate family members who do not live in your child's primary household (parents, siblings, stepparents, step-siblings). Include non-relatives or extended family members who are primary caregivers (e.g., a grandparent who is responsible for much of the child's care).

Name	Relationship to Child	Age (if living)	Profession	City, State

# IV. SCHOOL & RECREATION

Please list all schools your child has attended with the current school listed first:

Grade	Age	School Name	Location (City, State)	Describe Any Special Education Services Received & Reason Why

How is your child currently doing in school?		
Has your child been in trouble at school?	□ No	☐ Yes (please describe)
interests, etc.)		ts, recreational, musical, TV & toy preferences, unique
Do they enjoy large groups and parties or prefer	to play	y have many friends? Few friends? Are they shy? Outgoing? alone?
V. EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT  Pregnancy and Delivery  List any prenatal medical illnesses experienced by	y the ma	other:
Was the child born premature?		
Child was carried to full-term (pregnancy la	asted app	roximately 9 months before delivery)
☐ Child was born premature (indicate how ma	any mon	ths/weeks gestation before delivery):
Normal birth weight & height?	]No (pl	ease describe):
The First Few Months of Life		
Breast-fed: No Yes (please indicate ho	w long):	
Allergies: No Yes (please list):		
Sleep problems: No Yes (please describe	e):	
Describe the child's personality during infancy:		

# Milestones

To the best of your knowledge, at what age did the child do each of the following:
Walked without support:
Potty trained:
Helped when being dressed:
Spoke first word (other than "yes" or "no" and "mom" or "dad"):
Spoke first sentence:
Responded to being called by name:
Any issues with child recognizing and responding to his/her own name in first years of life (looking in direction of
caller, coming when called, etc.)?
Any issues with child making eye contact with caregiver during infancy and first few years of life?
VI Medical History

# VI. MEDICAL HISTORY

# Major Medical History:

Please list any major medical conditions, serious illness or accidents, hospitalizations, medically necessary surgeries, or neurological events including loss-of-consciousness, seizures or convulsions.

	Treatment(s) Received/		
Illness/Diagnosis	Medications Prescribed	Provider/Hospital	Outcome
	Illness/Diagnosis		

# Current Medical Provider: Physician Name: \_\_\_\_ City: Phone: 1. What kinds of physical exercise does your child get? \_ 2. How much soda, tea, or other sources of caffeine does your child consume each day? 3. Does your child try to restrict his/her eating in any way? YES NO (Circle one) If yes, describe how: If yes, describe why: 4. Does your child have any problems getting enough sleep? YES NO (Circle one) If yes, what problems (falling asleep, staying asleep)? If yes, do you know what is causing the problem? Average number of hours your child sleeps per night: \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Has your child ever used tobacco? YES NO (Circle one) If yes, please describe: 6. Has your child ever used alcohol? YES NO (Circle one) If yes, please describe: 7. Has your child ever used recreational drugs? YES NO (Circle one) If yes, please describe:

Are there any other medical or physical problems you are concerned about?

# VII. MENTAL HEALTH HISTORY

# Prior Mental Health Treatment

Please list any prior mental health treatment your child received and any corresponding diagnosis. Include visits to a therapist, counselor, psychiatrist, psychologist, social worker, or mental health clinic, as well as any psychiatric hospitalizations or admission to residential treatment facilities.

Age	Issue/Diagnosis	Treatment(s) Received/Was it helpful?	Provider or Hospital	Reason for termination
<u>8-</u>	Zeede, Zangareeze			00
	pild currently seeing anothe	<u> </u>	der (psychologist, psychiatri	st, marriage & family
therapist,	counselor, or social worker	<u>r)?</u>		
	□ No □ Ye	es (If yes, please complete b	elow)	
70				
	rovider's name & title:			
P	hone:	City:		
I	How long has your child b	een under this provider's	care?	
R	leason for care:			
Г	Oo you plan to continue y	our child's care with the a	above provider?	

# Psychotropic Medications & Vitamins/Supplements

Please list any prescribed medications or herbal supplements that your child has taken to treat <u>mental health</u> or behavioral symptoms.

Medication	Approximate dates (or age)	Purpose	Prescribed/supervised by

# Family Mental Health History

Please list any members of your child's immediate or extended family who have been either formally diagnosed or suspected to have a mental illness, *including* substance and alcohol use disorders (e.g., depression, anxiety, alcoholism, addiction).

Name & Relationship to Patient	Illness/Issue	Diagnosed (Yes/No)	Please indicate any treatment history or other notes about what you know of their illness

S efects Tearres			
Safety Issues  To the best of your knowledge, has your child ever been abused?	☐ Yes	☐ Unsure	□ No
If you answered <u>yes</u> or <u>unsure</u> , please indicate any instances below to Emotional abuse (underline any that apply) - Willfully causing rendangering a child's emotional well-being through: Belittling; ridatexcessive screaming, cursing, raging at child; demeaning jokes; excephysical appearance; refusing love, attention or touch; shunning channer unreasonable & extreme reactions; locking child out of the home to intimidating behaviors; unreasonable demands placed on child; exceptional childhood behaviors; isolating a child from peers or prohibite stimulation; promoting or rewarding unhealthy or criminal behave home; exposing child to other inappropriate or traumatic events)	nental suffer culing; hum ssive teasing ild from fam discipline or essive or un ing normal	iliating; name-ca about capabilition ily; unpredictable punish; threats of reasonable punis play/opportunit	es or le, or hment for ies for
☐ Neglect – Failure of caregiver to provide adequate food, clothing, s result in any physical harm to child)	helter, or sup	pervision (may o	r may not
☐ Physical abuse – Bodily injury inflicted on a child by willful cruel punishment	ty, unjustifia	ble punishment,	or corporal
☐ Sexual abuse – Victimization of a child by sexual activities include fondling, rape, incest, and exposure of a child to sexually inappropriate of the control of the con	_	_	
Have Child Protective Services (CPS) or law enforcement ever invesuspected abuse of your child?	estigated or	taken a report	t of
□ No □ Yes (If yes, please describe the circumstances and outcome	of the inves	tigation/report)	:
Has your child ever been in legal trouble with the law? ☐ No ☐ Yes (p	lease describ	e):	

Has your child ever been in legal trouble with the law? 
No Yes (please describe):

Since age 8, has your child ever been in a physical fight with a peer or displayed physical violence toward an adult?

No Yes (please describe):

Has yo	ur child e	ver reported having thought	ts of suicide/w	vanting to take t	heir own life?	
□ No	☐ Yes	☐ Yes (if yes, please compete below)				
	At what age did your child first report having these thoughts?  When was the last time your child reported having these thoughts?					
How frequently does your child report having the thoughts (e.g., every day, every week, several time per month, once per month, once every couple of months)?						
	_	ovide examples of what your cor others).	child reports			
	What is usually happening in your child's life when they report these thoughts?					
Has yo		ver <u>attempted</u> suicide? s (if yes, please complete below	v)			
			How the A	Attempt was		
	Age	Description of Attempt		rvened	Aftermath	
Has a f	amily me	mber attempted or committe	ed suicide (par	ent, aunt/uncle,	grandparent, sibling,	
child)?						
□ No	☐ Yes	s (please describe):				
Have y	our child	ever engaged in any self-har	ming behavio	r (e.g., cutting)?		
□ No	☐ Yes	s (please describe):				

# VIII. COPING & STRENGTHS Briefly list any major crises that have occurred in your child's life, and how your child handled them: What are your child's major strengths? When is your child happy, relaxed, or enjoying themself? What people and activities support or comfort your child when they are struggling? IX. GOALS FOR THERAPY In your own words, please describe what brings you and your child here today: When did this issue begin?

# Please check any characteristics that describe your child:

Affectionate	Extracurricular activities interfere with
Argues, "talks back," smart-alecky, defiant	academics
Bullies/intimidates, teases, inflicts pain on	Failure in school
others, is bossy to others, picks on,	Fearful
provokes	Fighting, hitting, violent, aggressive, hostile
Cheats	threatens, destructive
Cruel to animals	Fire setting
Concern for others	Friendly, outgoing, social
Conflicts with parents over persistent rule	Hypochondriac, always complains of feeling
breaking, money, chores, homework, grades,	sick
choices in music/clothes/hair/friends	Immature, "clowns around," has only
Complains	younger playmates
Cries easily, feelings are easily hurt	Imaginary playmates, fantasy
Dawdles, procrastinates, wastes time	Independent
Difficulties with parent's paramour/new	Interrupts, talks out, yells
marriage/new family	Lacks organization, unprepared
Dependent, immature	Lacks respect for authority, insults, dares,
Developmental delays	provokes, manipulates
Disrupts family activities	Learning disability
Disobedient, uncooperative, refuses,	Legal difficulties-truancy, loitering,
noncompliant, doesn't follow rules	panhandling, drinking, vandalism, stealing,
Distractible, inattentive, poor concentration,	fighting, drug sales
daydreams, slow to respond	Likes to be alone, withdraws, isolates
Dropping out of school	Lying
Drug or alcohol use	Low frustration tolerance, irritability
Eating-poor manners, refuses, appetite	Mental retardation
increase or decrease, odd combinations,	Moody
overeats	Mute, refuses to speak
Exercise problems	Nail biting
	Nervous

Nightmares	Thumb sucking, finger sucking, hair
Need for high degree of supervision at home	chewing
over play/chores/schedule	Tics-involuntary rapid movements, noises
Obedient	or word productions
Obesity	Teased, picked on, victimized, bullied
Overactive, restless, hyperactive, out-of-seat	Truant, school avoiding
behaviors, restlessness, fidgety, noisiness	Underactive, slow-moving or slow-
Oppositional, resists, refuses, does not	responding, lethargic
comply, negativism	Uncoordinated, accident-prone
Prejudiced, bigoted, insulting, name calling,	Wetting or soiling the bed or clothes
intolerant	
Pouts	
Recent move, new school, loss of friends	
Relationships with brothers/sisters or	
friends/peers are poor-competition, fights,	
teasing/provoking, assaults	
Responsible qRocking or other repetitive	
movements	
Runs away	
Sad, unhappy	
Self-harming behaviors—biting or hitting	
self, head banging, scratching self	
Speech difficulties	
Sexual—sexual preoccupation, public	
masturbation, inappropriate sexual	
behaviors	
Shy, timid	
Stubborn	
Suicide talk or attempt	
Swearing, blasphemes, bathroom language,	
foul language	
Temper tantrums, rages	

Please look back over the concerns you have checked off. Which one do you <u>most</u> want help with?		
What changes are you hoping therapy might lead to?		
Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions. We look forward to helping you and your	family!	

# CURRY PSYCHOLOGY GROUP

— ADULT, CHILD & FAMILY THERAPY —

#### PARENT CONTRACT FOR CHILD THERAPY

Prior to beginning treatment, it is important for you to understand our approach to child therapy and agree to some rules about your child's confidentiality during the course of his/her treatment. Under HIPAA and the APA Ethics Code, we are legally and ethically responsible to provide you with informed consent. As we go forward, we will try to remind you of important issues as they arise.

#### Resolving Disagreements

One risk of child therapy involves disagreement among parents and/or disagreement between parents and therapist regarding the best interests of the child. If such disagreements occur, we will strive to listen carefully so that we can understand your perspectives and fully explain our perspective. We can resolve such disagreements or we can agree to disagree, so long as this enables your child's therapeutic progress. If either custodial parent decides that therapy should end, we will honor that decision. However, we ask that you allow us the option of having a closing session to appropriately end the treatment relationship with your child.

# Confidentiality of Your Child's Treatment

Therapy is most effective when a trusting relationship exists between the psychologist and the patient. Privacy is especially important in securing and maintaining that trust. While one goal of therapy is to strengthen the child's relationship with parents or primary care givers, children experience the most therapeutic benefit when there is a "zone of privacy" whereby they are free to discuss personal matters in session. This is particularly true for adolescents who are naturally developing a greater sense of independence and autonomy. By signing this agreement, you will be waiving your right of access to your child's treatment records.

# Information We Will Share with You Over the Course of Therapy

Note that while we will not share what your child has disclosed to us without their consent, we will provide you with general information about treatment status, and we will raise issues that may impact your child either inside or outside the home. We will also inform you if your child does not attend sessions, or if it is necessary to refer your child to another mental health professional with more specialized skills. If your child is an adolescent, it is possible that he/she will reveal sensitive information regarding sexual contact, alcohol and drug use, or other potentially problematic behaviors. Sometimes these behaviors are within the range of normal adolescent experimentation, but at other times they may require parental intervention. If we ever believe that your child is at serious risk of harming him/herself or another, we will inform you.

#### Limits of Our Role as Your Child's Therapist

Although our responsibility to your child may require our involvement in conflicts between the parents, we need your agreement that our involvement will be strictly limited to that which will benefit your child in the context of therapy. This means, among other things, that you will treat anything that is said in session with us as confidential, and that neither parent will attempt to gain advantage between one another or in any legal proceeding from our involvement with your children. In particular, we need your agreement that in any such legal proceedings, neither of you will ask us to testify in court, whether in person, or by affidavit. You also agree to instruct your attorneys not to subpoena us or to refer in any court filing to anything we have said or done.

Note that such agreement may not prevent a judge from requiring our testimony, even though we will work to prevent such an event. If we are required to testify, we are ethically bound not to give our opinion about either parent's custody or visitation suitability. If the court appoints a custody evaluator, guardian ad litem, or parenting coordinator, we will provide information as needed (if appropriate releases are signed or a court order is provided), but we will not make any recommendation about the final decision. Furthermore, if we are required to appear as a witness, the party responsible for our participation agrees to reimburse us at the rate of \$250 per hour to include time spent traveling, preparing reports, testifying, being in attendance, and any other case-related costs.

Please initi	al below to indic	ate your agreement to ea	ch policy:	
	•	rminate treatment, we have erly end the treatment rel	2	east one closing session with
	You are waiving y	our right to access to your	child's treatment records.	
	We will disclose in whild or another p	·	child's consent if necessary	y to protect the life of your
	· ·	*	g treatment and that you wody or custody arrangemen	ill not involve us in any legal ts (visitation, etc.).
		nstruct your attorneys not one in the context of treating	-	n any court filing to anything
 F	provided, we will	* *	ion to the evaluator. This i	signed and a court order is information will not include
a t	agrees to reimbur estifying, being in	se us at the rate of \$250 attendance, and any othe	per hour for time spent to r case-related costs.	onsible for our participation traveling, preparing reports,
My signatu Therapy:	re below indicat	es that I have read, und	erstand, and agree to the	Parent Contract for Child
Parent Sign	ature	Date	Parent Signature	Date
Printed Nam	ne	Relationship to Child	Printed Name	Relationship to Child



# **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

#### I. THE INITIAL INTAKE APPOINTMENT / ASSESSMENT PHASE

The first appointment is a face-to-face "intake assessment." All intake paperwork must be completed prior to the initial session. This session is an opportunity for both the client and the therapist to assess mutual compatibility for an ongoing therapy relationship. The therapist will ask questions to obtain a comprehensive history of the presenting problem and assess the best course of treatment based on your goals for therapy. Depending on the complexity of the case, a second intake appointment may be required to complete the assessment. When enough information has been gathered, the therapist will provide you with recommendations for treatment.

On some occasions, the therapist may determine that a client's needs are outside the scope of the services offered in the individual therapy setting, or that the client is unlikely to benefit from the services offered without additional supports. In such cases, the therapist will provide information and guidance regarding next steps and will assist the client in arranging any recommended appointments with outside providers or facilities to ensure that an effective plan of care is in place.

#### II. PAYMENT

Credit card information will be obtained at your first appointment with the Curry Psychology Group. You or your payer will be charged at the time of each appointment according to the fees outlined in the Financial Policies (see attached form). If you have an accepted insurance plan, the office will charge you the appropriate copayment as derived from your insurance company's eligibility database. If after charging for the copayment, the office comes to know through your insurance's Explanation of Benefits that the amount due is greater or less than the amount originally charged to you, the office will appropriately bill you for the difference and/or refund the excess to your patient account as applicable. The Curry Psychology Group is not liable for any copay, coinsurance, or other obligations reported to our office by your insurance company. Should you have questions regarding your coverages, please contact your insurance carrier for details. If you seek reimbursement from an insurer, our office will submit claims on your behalf at your request.

#### III. CANCELLATIONS

Since scheduling of an appointment involves the reservation of time specifically for you, we request notice of changes to an appointment **by noon at least one business day prior**. Unless we reach a different agreement, the full fee will be charged for sessions missed without such notification. Insurance companies do not reimburse for missed sessions. (For Monday appointments, cancellations must be made by noon on the previous Friday. For appointments occurring the day after a holiday, cancellations must occur by noon on the prior business day.)

#### IV. ROUTINE PHONE CALLS & EMAIL

Contact regarding administrative matters. Administrative and scheduling questions may be left on your provider's confidential voicemail or sent to your provider via email. On weekdays, we will typically return administrative calls and emails within 24 hours.

Contact regarding clinical matters. To ensure that we can fully attend to our clients' needs, we ask that all clinical matters be discussed in-person, over the phone, or via our secure online therapy platform to ensure that there is direct and clear communication. Please do not contact your therapist by text message, as this is neither a reliable nor secure mode of communication.

#### V. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

In the event of a clinical emergency, such as acute thoughts of harming oneself or others or experiencing a traumatic life event, you may leave a message on your provider's confidential voicemail indicating the nature of the emergency, and your provider will return your call as soon as possible. Please understand that your provider may not be available, especially after-hours or on weekends.

Therefore, if you feel you are in imminent danger to yourself or others or if you feel that your health is at risk, please visit your nearest emergency room; dial 9-1-1; or call the National Crisis Lifeline day or night for free immediate support at 1-800-273-8255.

Frequency of between-session emergency contact. Please note that requests for emergency contact between scheduled sessions is to be limited to true clinical emergencies only. In cases when a client requires more than two standard duration appointments per week, continued treatment with the provider will be contingent on the client's acceptance of a higher level of care (intensive outpatient, partial hospital, or inpatient treatment), involvement of family members in monitoring safety and compliance (if appropriate), psychiatric support with medication compliance, and/or other modifications of treatment to enhance the client's stability.

#### VI. THE ROLES OF THERAPIST VERSUS EVALUATOR

Litigation Limitation. The ethics and rules of our profession preclude us from serving in a dual-role of therapist and evaluator. As your therapist, we will not be conducting a formal evaluation and therefore do not have a valid and reliable basis from which to provide an expert opinion to any third party. Furthermore, due to the private nature of the therapeutic process, it is agreed that this process should be protected and should there be legal proceedings (such as, but not limited to divorce and custody disputes, injuries, lawsuits, etc.), neither you, nor your attorney, nor anyone else acting on your behalf will call on our clinicians to testify in court or at any other proceeding, nor will a disclosure of the psychotherapy records be requested.

Letters & Other Statements of Opinion. Similarly, we do not provide statements of opinion or recommendations in written letter, report, or client forms, unless explicitly retained for the purposes

of a psychological evaluation. If an established therapy client requires evaluative services, we will provide appropriate referrals.

#### VII. TERMINATION OF TREATMENT BY THE PROVIDER

The Curry Psychology Group reserves the right to terminate treatment under certain conditions which compromise the therapist's ability to provide effective services, the client's ability to benefit from services, or when it is legally and/or ethically appropriate to do so. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to:

- Three missed appointments or late-cancellations within a six-month period
- Non-adherence to the treatment plan
- Non-compliance with practice policies & procedures
- Refusal to accept a higher level of care or supplemental care when clinically indicated
- Behaviors that are disrespectful, devaluing, threatening, or otherwise inappropriate toward the provider, staff, other clients, or any persons present in the building
- Misrepresentation or omission of pertinent clinical information
- Non-payment of fees

#### VIII. PRIVACY

The Curry Psychology Group will not disclose details of your treatment nor your medical record to third parties without your written approval. Our providers operate in accordance with the HIPAA laws. By signing our policies document, you acknowledge that you understand your rights under the HIPAA laws and can freely discuss these rights with your provider. You understand that if you are not the payer for services provided, matters related to billing may be discussed with the payer. You also acknowledge that you have received notice of the privacy policies.

#### IX. LIMITS OF CONFIDENTIALITY

Information collected by providers in evaluation and treatment of patients is considered confidential. However, there are certain instances where such healthcare providers are required or allowed by law to make exceptions to this confidentiality. Examples of these situations include the following:

- 1. The patient authorizes a signed release of information to a designated recipient.
- 2. The therapist is provided with information leading her to believe that a patient is at risk for harming self or others, or is unable to meet his/her basic needs.
- 3. Information presented to the therapist that indicates that child or elder abuse/neglect is occurring.
- 4. A court has ordered release of records.
- 5. Other reporting requirements mandate release of client information (i.e., a client with dementia whose ability to operate a motor vehicle is potentially compromised).
- 6. A third-party payer (i.e., an insurance company) is involved in payment. Insurance companies usually require information on dates or service, diagnoses, and types of office visit, but other information may be required before payment is authorized.

#### X. CONSENT TO TREATMENT

I acknowledge that I have received and have read (or have had read to me) the introductory forms provided to me about the therapy I am considering. I have had all my questions answered fully.

I understand that developing a treatment plan with my provider and regularly reviewing our work toward meeting the treatment goals are in my best interest. I agree to play an active role in this process.

I understand that no promises have been made to me as to the results of treatment or of any procedures provided.

I am aware that I may stop my treatment with this provider at any time. The only thing I will still be responsible for is paying for the services I have already received.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read the above policies/procedures and am undertaking treatment with the Curry Psychology Group with full awareness and acceptance of the policies and procedures governing this practice:

Signature of Client or Guardian	Date	
Printed Name		



# NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES: CONSENT TO USE AND DISCLOSE YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION TO ARRANGE TREATMENT

This form is an agreement between you, and your provider/"us"/"we." When we use the words "you" and "your" below, this can mean you, your child, or some other person who will be receiving care and to whom you are an authorized representative/guardian.

When we examine, test, diagnose, treat, or refer you, we will be collecting what the law calls "protected health information" (PHI) about you. We need to use this information in our office to decide on what treatment is best for you and to provide treatment to you. We may also share this information with others to arrange payment for your treatment, to help carry out certain business or government functions, or to help provide other treatment to you. By signing this form, you are also agreeing to let us use your PHI and to send it to others for the sole purposes described above. Your signature below acknowledges that you have read or heard our notice of privacy practices, which explains in more detail what your rights are and how we can use and share your information. If you do not sign this form agreeing to our privacy practices, we cannot treat you.

In the future, we may change how we use and share your information, and so we may change our notice of privacy practices. If we do change it, you can get a copy by calling our office. If you are concerned about your PHI, you have the right to ask us not to use or share some of it for treatment, payment, or administrative purposes. You will have to tell us what you want in writing. Although we will try to respect your wishes, we are not required to accept these limitations. However, if we do agree, we promise to do as you asked. After you have signed this consent, you have the right to revoke it by writing to our office/your provider. We will then stop using or sharing your PHI, but we may already have used or shared some of it, and we cannot change that.

Signature of Client (or Guardian/Representative)	Date		
Printed Name of Client			
Printed Name of Guardian/Representative	Relationship to Client		

# AGREEMENT TO PAY FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

# **CANCELATION POLICY (ALL CLIENTS):**

Please contact the office at 949-258-9777 to cancel any upcoming appointment. <u>Cancellation of an appointment must be made by noon on the business day prior to the appointment. Since alternative bookings are unlikely after that time, our policy includes a charge of the full session fee for "no show" or late cancellations occurring with insufficient notice. This represents the amount of time reserved for your service. Note that this fee is not eligible for payment or reimbursement by insurance.</u>

If cancelling an appointment that is scheduled on a Monday, notice must be received by our office on the Friday prior to the appointment. Cancellations received during the weekend will be considered late and the fee will apply. Similarly, if an appointment is scheduled the day after a holiday, notice of intent to cancel must be received by the last business day prior to the holiday.

### **PAYMENT POLICY:**

You or your payer will be charged at the time of each appointment according to the fees outlined in the attached fee schedule. We are in-network with Tricare West military insurance. We also bill out-of-network insurance plans with a deposit for the full service fee. Credit card information will be obtained at your first appointment with the Curry Psychology Group and automatic payments can be arranged for future sessions. Acceptable payment methods include credit card and cash.

To check your out-of-network insurance benefits, we recommend that clients contact their insurer at the number listed on the back of their insurance card to ask the following questions:

- 1. Does my plan include <u>out-of-network</u> benefits for mental health/behavioral healthcare?
- 2. What is the <u>maximum allowed amount</u> if I receive <u>individual psychotherapy</u>, service code <u>90837</u>, at an office, with a psychologist?
- 3. What percentage of the allowed amount does my plan pay?
- 4. Do I have an insurance <u>deductible</u> that I would have to pay before my out-of-network benefits are provided?

#### TRICARE WEST/MILITARY BENEFICIARIES:

Clients with Tricare West will be charged the appropriate copayment or deductible fee (as shown to our office from Tricare West's eligibility database) at the time of each appointment.

If, after charging for the copayment or deductible fee, the office comes to know through your insurance's Explanation of Benefits that the client's amount due is greater or less than the amount originally charged to the client, the office will bill the client for the balance *or* refund the excess to your patient account as applicable. The client accepts financial responsibility for all eligible services that are not paid by their insurance plan within 30 days of the date of service.

# FEE SCHEDULE BY PROVIDER

SERVICES OFFERED	Dr. Shannon Curry	Dr. Nicolle Bugescu	KARI Fisher, MSW, ACSW	Dr. Carey Incledon	Dr. Francesca Parker
	Therapy Se	ervices			
INITIAL INTAKE APPOINTMENT	300. (55 min)	175. (50 min)	150. (50 min)	150. (50 min)	150. (50 min)
INDIVIDUAL THERAPY (ADULT OR CHILD)	250. (55 min)	175. (50 min)	150. (50 min)	150. (50 min)	150. (50 min)
FAMILY THERAPY	275. (55 min)	200. (50 min)	175. (50 min)	175. (50 min)	175. (50 min)
GOTTMAN COUPLES THERAPY 90-MIN APPOINTMENT Initial Assessment Final Assessment Extended Sessions	450. (90 min)	NA	NA	270. (90 min)	NA
GOTTMAN COUPLES THERAPY STANDARD APPOINTMENT	275. (55 min)	NA	NA	150. (50 min)	NA
	Supplementa	l Services			
BETWEEN-SESSION PHONE CONTACT Per 15 min	75.	60.	50.	50.	50.
LETTERS AND FORM COMPLETION Per 30 min	150.	120.	90.	90.	90.
Testin	g & Educational	l Support Servi	ices		
PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL & DIAGNOSTIC  ASSESSMENT  (Includes Interview, Collateral Data Collection, Testing, Score Interpretation & Report Writing)	NA	200./hour with retainer	NA	180./hour with retainer	NA
SCHOOL VISITS/IEP MEETINGS Up to first 90 min (includes drive time)	NA	360. (≤90 min)	270. (≤90 min)	270. (≤90 min)	NA
	Other Assessme	ent Services			
FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT	Contact for fees	NA	NA	NA	NA

By signing below the Client or Guardian indicates their understanding and agreement to the Curry Psychology Group's payment policies and fees as outlined in this document.

Signature of Client (or Guardian)	Date
rinted Name	

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# **Electronic Payment Authorization**

Please enter the card information you wish to keep on file for automatic deduction of your session fee, copayment, or insurance deductible (if applicable). Only fees which have been previously disclosed and agreed to by you per the "Agreement to Pay for Psychological Services" will be charged.

The following credit and debit cards are accepted: Visa, MasterCard, Discover and AMEX.

Client Name:		
Cardholder Information (Please is	ndicate the name and address associated wit	th the credit or debit card you wish to use):
Cardholder Name:		
Address:	City	State: Zip:
Main Phone Number:	Email:	
Credit/Debit Card Information:		
Card Type (check one):	Visa   MasterCard	Discover AMEX
Card Number:		-
Expiration Date:	Security Code (3-digit code	on back of card):
I, the cardholder, authorize fees for se	ervices rendered by this practice to be deduct	red from the credit or debit card listed above.
Cardholder Signature	Date	