

Grace Counseling Services, PLLC

LIMITS OF CONFIDENTIALITY

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

Duty to Warn and Protect:

When a client discloses intentions to harm another person, the clinician is required to report this information to legal authorities and warn the potential victim if possible. In the case in which a client discloses suicidal ideations or plans, the clinician must make every effort to notify the family of the client or legal authorities.

Abuse of Children or Vulnerable Adults:

If a client states or suggests that he or she is abusing a child or a vulnerable adult, the clinician is required to report this to the Department of Human Services. If a client states they are being abused, neglected or exploited then the clinician is required to report this to the Department of Human Services and if necessary the legal authorities.

Minors/Guardianship

Parents or legal guardians of non-emancipated minor clients (under 18) have the right to access the client's records at all times.

I agree to the above limits of confidentiality and understand their meanings and ramifications.

Client Signature: _____ Date: _____