Summit Wellness Centers, PLLC

PO Box: 211 Arden, NC 28704

Client Information Survey (Completed by Client)

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In order to better serve you, we would ap as fully and accurately as you can.	preciate the following information. Please co	omplete this questionnaire			
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Mildly upsetting Moderately Distressing Incapacitating What action(s) have you already taken regarding your reason for seeking counseling? What do you perceive to be your strengths/abilities that will assist you in achieving your goal? What personal weaknesses or vulnerabilities may hinder your success?	Please mark on the scale below the current severity of your distress:
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Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act (HIPAA) Client Rights & Therapist Duties

This document contains important information about federal law, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), that provides privacy protections and patient rights with regard to the use and disclosure of your Protected Health Information (PHI) used for the purpose of treatment, payment, and health care operations. HIPAA requires that I provide you with a Notice of Privacy Practices (the Notice) for use and disclosure of PHI for treatment, payment and health care operations. The Notice, which is attached to this Agreement, explains HIPAA and its application to your PHI in greater detail. The law requires that I obtain your signature acknowledging that I have provided you with this. If you have any questions, it is your right and obligation to ask so we can have a further discussion prior to signing this document. When you sign this document, it will also represent an agreement between us. You may revoke this Agreement in writing at any time. That revocation will be binding unless I have taken action in reliance on it.

LIMITS ON CONFIDENTIALITY

The law protects the privacy of all communication between a patient and a therapist. In most situations, I can only release information about your treatment to others if you sign a written authorization form that meets certain legal requirements imposed by HIPAA. There are some situations where I am permitted or required to disclose information without either your consent or authorization. If such a situation arises, I will limit my disclosure to what is necessary. Reasons I may have to release your information without authorization:

- 1. If you are involved in a court proceeding and a request is made for information concerning your diagnosis and treatment, such information is protected by the psychologist-patient privilege law. I cannot provide any information without your (or your legal representative's) written authorization, or a court order, or if I receive a subpoena of which you have been properly notified and you have failed to inform me that you oppose the subpoena. If you are involved in or contemplating litigation, you should consult with an attorney to determine whether a court would be likely to order me to disclose information.
- 2. If a government agency is requesting the information for health oversight activities, within its appropriate legal authority, I may be required to provide it for them. We will share information about you if state or federal laws require it, including with the Department of Health and Human Services if it wants to see that we're complying

with federal privacy law. Additionally, we are allowed or required to share your information in other ways — usually in ways that contribute to the public good, such as public health and research. We have to meet many conditions in the law before we can share your information for these purposes. For more information see: www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/understanding/consumers/index.html.

- 3. If a patient files a complaint or lawsuit against me, I may disclose relevant information regarding that patient in order to defend myself.
- 4. If a patient files a worker's compensation claim, and I am providing necessary treatment related to that claim. I must, upon appropriate request, submit treatment reports to the appropriate parties, including the patient's employer, the insurance carrier or an authorized qualified rehabilitation provider.
- 5. I may disclose the minimum necessary health information to my business associates that perform functions on our behalf or provide us with services if the information is necessary for such functions or services. My business associates sign agreements to protect the privacy of your information and are not allowed to use or disclose any information other than as specified in our contract.

There are some situations in which I am legally obligated to take actions, which I believe are necessary to attempt to protect others from harm, and I may have to reveal some information about a patient's treatment:

- 1. If I know, or have reason to suspect, that a child under 18 has been abused, abandoned, or neglected by a parent, legal custodian, caregiver, or any other person responsible for the child's welfare, the law requires that I file a report with the North Carolina Abuse Hotline. Once such a report is filed, I may be required to provide additional information.
- 2. If I know or have reasonable cause to suspect that a vulnerable adult has been abused, neglected, or exploited, the law requires that I file a report with the North Carolina Abuse Hotline. Once such a report is filed, I may be required to provide additional information.
- 3. If I believe that there is a clear and immediate probability of physical harm to the patient, to other individuals, or to society, I may be required to disclose information to take protective action, including communicating the information to the potential victim, and/or appropriate family member, and/or the police or to seek hospitalization of the patient.

CLIENT RIGHTS AND THERAPIST DUTIES

Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information:

• For Treatment - We use and disclose your health information internally in the course of

your treatment. If we wish to provide information outside of our practice for your treatment by another health care provider, we will have you sign an authorization for release of information. Furthermore, an authorization is required for most uses and disclosures of psychotherapy notes.

- For Payment We may use and disclose your health information to obtain payment for services we provide to you as delineated in the Therapy Agreement.
- For Operations We may use and disclose your health information within as part of our internal operations. For example, this could mean a review of records to assure quality.
 We may also use your information to tell you about services, educational activities, and programs that we feel might be of interest to you.

Patient's Rights:

- Right to Confidentiality You have the right to have your health care information protected. If you pay for a service or health care item out-of-pocket in full, you can ask us not to share that information for the purpose of payment or our operations with your health insurer. We will agree to such unless a law requires us to share that information,
- Right to Request Restrictions You have the right to request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures of protected health information about you. However, I am not required to agree to a restriction you request.
- Right to Receive Confidential Communications by Alternative Means and at Alternative Locations You have the right to request and receive confidential communications of PHI by alternative means and at alternative locations.
- Right to Inspect and Copy You have the right to inspect or obtain a copy (or both) of PHI. Records must be requested in writing and release of information must be completed. Furthermore, there is a copying fee charge of \$1.00 per page. Please make your request well in advance and allow 2 weeks to receive the copies. If I refuse your request for access to your records, you have a right of review, which I will discuss with you upon request.
- Right to Amend If you believe the information in your records is incorrect and/or missing important information, you can ask us to make certain changes, also known as amending, to your health information. You have to make this request in writing. You must tell us the reasons you want to make these changes, and we will decide if it is and if we refuse to do so, we will tell you why within 60 days.
- Right to a copy of this notice If you received the paperwork electronically, you have a copy in your email. If you completed this paperwork in the office at your first session a copy will be provided to you per your request or at any time.
- Right to an Accounting You generally have the right to receive an accounting of disclosures of PHI regarding you. On your request, I will discuss with you the details of the accounting process.
- Right to choose someone to act for you If someone is your legal guardian, that person can exercise your rights and make choices about your health information; we will make sure the person has this authority and can act for you before we take any action.

- Right to Choose You have the right to decide not to receive services with me. If you wish, I will provide you with names of other qualified professionals.
- Right to Terminate You have the right to terminate therapeutic services with me at any time without any legal or financial obligations other than those already accrued. I ask that you discuss your decision with me in session before terminating or at least contact me by phone letting me know you are terminating services.
- Right to Release Information with Written Consent With your written consent, any part of your record can be released to any person or agency you designate. We will discuss whether or not I think releasing the information in question to that person or agency might be harmful to you.

Therapist's Duties:

• I am required by law to maintain the privacy of PHI and to provide you with a notice of my legal duties and privacy practices with respect to PHI. I will let you know promptly if a breach occurs that may have compromised the privacy or security of your information. I reserve the right to change the privacy policies and practices described in this notice. Unless I notify you of such changes, however, I am required to abide by the terms currently in effect. If I revise my policies and procedures, I will provide you with a revised notice in office during our session.

Disclosure to Health Information Exchanges: (For NC State Health Insurance Plans)

This facility participates in the North Carolina Health Information Exchange Network, called NC HealthConnex. which is operated by the North Carolina Health Information Exchange Authority (NC HIEA). We will share your protected health information, or PHI, with the NC HIEA and may use NC HealthConnex to access your PHI to assist us in providing health care to you. We are required by law to submit clinical and demographic data pertaining to services paid for with funds from North Carolina programs like Medicaid and State Health Plan. We may also share other patient data with NC HealthConnex not paid for with state funds. If you do not want NC HealthConnex to share your PHI with other health care providers who are participating in NC Health Connex, you must opt out by submitting a form directly to the NC HIEA. Forms and brochures about NC HealthConnex are available in our offices and online at NCHealthConnex.gov. You may also contact our Privacy Office at (828)-692-6383. Again, even if you opt out of NC HealthConnex, we will submit your PHI if your health care services are funded by State programs. Your patient data may also be exchanged or used by the NC HIEA for public health or research purposes as permitted or required by law. For more information on NC HealthConnex, please visit NCHealthConnex.gov/patients.

COMPLAINTS

If you are concerned that I have violated your privacy rights, or you disagree with a decision I made about access to your records, you may contact me, the State of North Carolina Department of Health, or the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW INDICATES THAT YOU HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT AND AGREE TO ITS TERMS AND ALSO SERVES AS AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED THE HIPAA NOTICE FORM DESCRIBED ABOVE.

Client/Legal Guardian Signature	Date
Printed Name	
	
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DECLARATION OF PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES

I am pleased you have selected me as your therapist. This document provides you with information regarding my background and the nature of our professional relationship. We will discuss any of your questions about this information or other preliminary matters at the beginning of our work together today.

Qualifications and Experience In 2006 I received my Bachelor of Arts in Youth and Family Ministry with a Minor in Psychology from Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas. After serving in youth ministry in Missouri and Florida for nearly 8 years, I felt called to increase my knowledge and skills to better come alongside teens and families struggling with more severe relational and mental health challenges. I returned to Harding and received my Master of Science in Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling in July of 2016. I am currently a fully licensed Marriage and Family Therapist in the state of North Carolina.

Since entering the mental health field in addition to private practice I have served as a Substance Abuse Counselor in a medically assisted treatment clinic, an Intensive In-Home Therapist to children struggling with substance abuse, behavior issues, and co-occurring disorders, and both as a Primary and a Family Therapist in a residential treatment center for adolescent boys suffering from substance abuse and co-occurring disorders.

Clients Served I provide therapy with individuals, couples, families and groups dealing with a wide range of therapeutic issues. I work with adults and adolescents in the context of families.

Areas of Focus I specialize in the practice of marriage and family therapy with experience in working with marital difficulties, problems of childhood and adolescence, parenting, blended families, and other family issues. I am experienced in dealing with depression and anxiety, grief and loss, adjustments to life stressors, addictive behaviors, and spiritual and religious issues.

The Counseling Relationship—What to Expect from Therapy I believe in the healing and transforming power of relationships, and have found through study and experience that most healing change comes in the context of that human desire to connect with the Devine. Therefore, most of my therapy addresses the observable, interactional problems we encounter in our relationships, as well as how we think, feel, and make meaning about them.

You can expect to work inside and outside the counseling room. On occasion, I may suggest that you read books or interact with some assignment. Change is seldom quick and easy. Therefore, your consistent and ongoing effort will be very necessary.

My therapeutic approach is integrative, and pulls from several different schools of thought with the intention of developing a wholistic view of the self that results in a practice that is ethical, evidence-based, and in harmony with a biblically sound Christian worldview. Therapeutically, I



work from a family systems perspective, emphasizing the importance of a family as an interrelated group of people who both affect and are affected by each other's behaviors. My work can be described as solution-focused and experiential. I am influenced by the work of great therapists such as Paul Watzlawick and others at the MRI Group, Carl Whitaker, Dan Wiles, Murray Bowen, the Milan Group, Salvador Minuchin, and other systems thinkers.

My approach focuses on looking at patterns of relating with others as a way of understanding how you think, believe, and behave towards life. Because we look at patterns, we will be looking at your family's whole life, not just the part of your life dealing with an immediate problem. We will talk about the pain that you are experiencing and the strategies that you are employing to deal with that pain.

The clients I work with seek counseling for a large variety of reasons. My training and experience enable me to assist most of the clients I see. I am not trained to treat medical issues and I am not trained to treat all psychological issues. There may be occasions where I will need to refer you to other medical, psychological or psychiatric professionals in order to better assist you. We will talk together about this in the process of our work together if referring becomes a necessity.

Physical Health In order to better serve your needs, I strongly recommend that you have a complete physical examination if you have not had one within the past year to rule out any medical complication that may be contributing to your mental health needs. Also, please provide a list of any medications that you may be taking as well as any medical conditions.

Potential Counseling Risks Recognizing that therapy addresses difficult issues, you must commit to the possibly painful process of change. This change should be beneficial to you and/or your family; however, there are some risks. As a result of counseling, you may realize that you have additional issues that may not have surfaced prior to the onset of the counseling relationship. Some of the issues we deal with may evoke uncomfortable emotions like sadness, guilt, anxiety, anger or frustration. In addition, some of our work may lead to what seems to be worsening of circumstances or even losses (for example, the result of counseling cannot promise that your child academically improves, or more intense emotion may be stirred in your marriage). These feelings are normal to the counseling process but are likewise unpleasant. Sometimes individuals in marital or family therapy find that spouses or family members are not willing to change. Other risks include emergence of traumatic memories, major life decisions such as staying married or divorcing, etc. I will attempt to inform you of potential risks specific to our work. Despite these risks, our goal will always be to examine the struggles in light of Christ's love and sacrifice for us.

Client Responsibilities Your commitment to the counseling process indicates that you agree to make a good faith effort at personal growth and to engage in the counseling process as an important priority at this time in your life. You agree to complete assignments given or discuss any reasons for resistance. Your welfare is most important in professional counseling. Due to the inherent conflict of interest on the part of the therapist who is working with a couple and/ or family, an individual seeking help in the context of a relationship with a partner/spouse/ family member(s) also agrees to refrain from requesting records and/or subpoenaing this therapist for testimony in the event that court proceedings develop at a later date. Clients coming from



another therapist must first terminate with that therapist. Clients must make their own decisions regarding such things as deciding to marry, separate, divorce, reconcile, and how to set up custody and visitation. That is, I will help you think through the possibilities and consequences of decisions, but my Code of Ethics does not allow me to advise you to make a specific decision. You are expected to keep appointments. I reserve the right to charge for the full session fee for cancelations or no-shows without 24-hour prior notice. Missing two appointments without 24-hour advanced notice may lead to termination of the counseling relationship. If you are seeking therapy with me in conjunction with another ongoing professional mental health relationship, you must first consult and inform the first therapist before I can begin work with you. You must notify me before beginning therapy with any other mental health professional that might impact our therapeutic relationship.

Privileged Communications and Confidentiality All of our sessions will remain strictly and absolutely confidential except for the following circumstances in accordance with state law: (1) The client signs a written release of information indicating informed consent to such release; (2) The client expresses a clear and imminent intent to do serious harm to himself/herself or someone else; (3) there is evidence or reasonable suspicion of abuse/neglect against a minor child, elder person (65 or older), or disabled adult; or (4) a subpoena or other court order is received directing the disclosure of information. Verbal authorization will not be sufficient except in emergency situations. When providing couple, family, or group therapy, I cannot disclose any information outside the treatment context without a written authorization from each individual competent to execute a waiver. Client(s) agree to work with Summit Wellness Centers, PLLC associates and contractors, when needed for scheduling, coordinating insurance benefits, and handling logistical concerns such as payment, documentation, etc... When working with a family or couple, information shared by individuals in sessions where other family members are not present must be held in confidence (except for the mandated exceptions already noted) unless all individuals involved sign written waivers. Clients may refuse to sign such a waiver but should be advised that maintaining confidentiality for individual sessions during couple or family therapy could impede or even prevent a positive outcome to therapy. Please note that our clinical team shares limited information for purposes of consultation and supervision in order to better serve clients. All of the individuals on our clinical team maintain confidentiality guidelines.

An additional note to students of Montreat College on limits of confidentiality: In the event that confidentiality must be breached due to the client or others constituting a clear and imminent threat to themselves or others the therapist would be compelled by North Carolina state law to inform appropriate representatives from Montreat College of the threat in order to assure the safety of individuals involved.

Litigation Limitation Given that certain types of litigation (such as child custody suits) may lead to the court-ordered release of information without your consent, it is expressly agreed that should there be legal proceedings (such as, but not limited to, divorce and custody disputes, injuries, lawsuits, etc...) neither you or any attorney, or anyone else acting on your behalf, will ask me to testify in a deposition or in court or in any other legal proceeding, nor will a disclosure of the medical record and/or progress notes be requested. If you are seeking custody evaluations, or legal or court related assistance, we are happy to refer you to someone who specializes in that area.



Fees, Office Procedures, and Length of Therapy Therapy sessions are normally approximately 55 minutes, and depending on the nature of the presenting problem, sessions are usually held one time per week. I provide focused, goal-centered therapy and services. Appointments are typically set at the close of each session. Appointments may be scheduled, rescheduled, or cancelled via phone, email, or our client portal. Therapy services are provided to students at Montreat College at no cost. A "no show fee" may be assessed to the student's account if an appointment is not canceled prior to 24 hours before the agreed upon time. As stated earlier, your signature on this disclosure ensures that I will not be called to testify in legal related matters. If, despite this consent, I am required to participate in legal proceedings, you will be expected to pay for all my professional time and transportation costs. Because of the difficulty of legal involvement, I charge \$200 per hour for my professional time spent in consultation with attorneys, report writing, preparation, and attendance at legal proceedings.

Informed Consent to Telehealth If recommended and/or requested, and you have already had an initial face to face intake, and you are located in NC, telehealth services may be provided through a HIPPA compliant, encrypted portal. Telehealth services utilize two-way, real-time interactive audio and video capabilities in providing services to clients. All confidentiality guidelines, laws, and treatment expectations for face-to-face treatment, as described elsewhere in the professional disclosure statement also apply in the venue of telehealth. Fees will be the same as that of face-to-face services. Clients who choose to utilize this venue will be provided instruction for logging on to the portal. Signing this consent signifies your understanding of the inherent risks with telehealth services, including, but not limited to, the transmission of private health information being disrupted, distorted, or compromised. Recording or dissemination of any personally identifiable images or information from the telehealth interaction is prohibited.

Code of Conduct I adhere to the Code of Ethics of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. Copies of this code are available on request. I also am committed to a life of service that is submissive to the teachings of Jesus Christ. If you have a complaint that you believe requires outside intervention you can contact the North Carolina Marriage and Family Therapy Licensure Board through their website at https://www.ncbmft.org/complaint/

Emergency Situations Since I provide outpatient diagnostic and psychotherapy services only, I cannot guarantee around-the-clock availability. After hours, you may leave a voice mail message at 828-692-6383, and our office will return your call as soon as possible. Therefore, if you should experience an emotional or behavioral crisis, and I cannot be reached immediately by telephone, you can contact a local medical or psychiatric hospital or call 911 or 1-800-273-TALK (8255). Montreat College students can also contact Campus Safety at 828-713-2520 for non-emergency assistance on campus.

Please Ask Questions You may have questions about me, my qualifications, the therapy process, assessments, fees, or something that has not been addressed in the previous paragraphs. It is your right to have a complete explanation for any of your questions at any time.

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT:

We, the undersigned, have read, discussed together, and fully understand and agree to the contents of this declaration statement. The client has this day retained Chad Barron, M. S., LMFT to provide psychotherapy and/or family therapy. It is expressly understood that Chad Barron has not issued, and will not issue, any guarantee of cure or treatment effects, number of sessions necessary, or total cost of service. It is further understood that Chad Barron shall be obligated to maintain a reasonable standard of care in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists. The client agrees that all fees shall be due and paid at the time of treatment and payments in arrears over two sessions will result in ceasing therapy until the balance is made current.

Client's Signature:	Date:	-
Client's Signature:	Date:	_
Counselor's Signature:	Date:	

