

# COMPREHENSIVE COUNSELING CONNECTIONS, PLLC

## Confidentiality Statement

Comprehensive Counseling Connections will not release any information regarding your history or treatment without the expressed written consent from you or your guardian/parent. We will take every reasonable step to protect your privacy and we are obligated professionally to do so.

## Exceptions

There are several exceptions to this general policy in which the law can force us to break confidentiality. While the list below covers the major areas in which this can occur, it does not cover every instance. By signing this form you acknowledge:

- a) Your receipt and understanding of these limitations, and
  - b) Your understanding of the right to ask your therapist about the limits of confidentiality at any point during your treatment
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- 1) The law requires us to report any suspicion of child abuse and/or neglect to the NH Division of Children, Youth and Families. We are also required to report suspicion of abuse or neglect of senior adults or vulnerable adults to the NH Division of Elder and Adult Services. If our agency has a reasonable basis to suspect abuse or neglect by anyone because of information provided by you, then we must report that information.
  - 2) If this agency observes or comes to know of a serious threat or risk of danger to you or others, we may be required to act to protect you or them, thus creating the possibility for disclosure of otherwise confidential information in order to meet its legal duty.
  - 3) If you have signed an application for services here, your insurance company has the right to obtain certain clinical information in order to meet its legal duty.
  - 4) In rare instances, a court order can be issued at the request of an individual or agency seeking access to your client records. In these cases, the team would seek legal advice from its own legal counsel in an effort to protect your confidentiality.

If you have signed releases the provide information to others, you should remember that you may cancel these releases at any time.

My signature shows that I have read and understood this information.

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Client

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Date

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Parent/Guardian

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Date

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Witness

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Date