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Patient Info	ormation:	Today's Date:					
Patient Name: (First)			(Middle Initial)		_ast)		
Home Phone:		Work	Phone:		Cell Phor	ne:	
Email:				Permiss	ion to contact	() Yes () No	
Address:					_ City:		
State:	Zip:	D.O.B.:		Age:	() Ma	ale () Female	
		() PT Employed			() Homemaker	() Retired () Other	
					/Shift Hours:		
Address:		em for your referra					
Emergency	_	ave my permissio	n to contact:				
						Your Initials:	
Health Hist Please list any		ring health proble	ms:				
Are you prese	ntly taking <u>any</u> n	nedications? () Ye	s () No If yes	, please list <u>nar</u>	<u>ne, use</u> , and <u>dos</u>	sage:	
Have you had	any psychiatric	health treatment? hospitalizations?	() Yes () No	lf yes, please ir	ndicate with who	nealth treatment? () Yes () No om, dates you attended and /o	

## Reasons for seeking counseling:

Please state briefly why you are seeking assistance now and what you would like to achieve:

These symptoms may or may not be related to the problem(s) that bring you in to see me. However, they may help in planning your treatment. Please check the "C" for current symptoms or "P" past symptoms.

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		trouble going to sleep				allergy problem? specify
		restless sleep				high blood pressure
		waking up very early and being unable to go				seizures
		back to sleep				menstrual irregularity or distress
		sleeping too much				asthma attack
		feeling guilty				irritable bowels, constipation, diarrhea
		depressive feelings that are regularly worse				tics
		in the morning				heart disease
		thoughts about suicide				eating disturbance
		have made suicide attempts				frequent flu or colds
		fatigue or loss of energy				sinus problems
		poor concentration and memory				grinding teeth, jaw tension/pain
		decreased sex drive				endocrine dysfunction, e.g. thyroid problems,
		significant feelings of restlessness, agitation				hypoglycemia, diabetes
		loss of pleasure in usual activities; have lost				kidney problems
		your zest for life				head injury
		appetite loss				
						smoking
		feeling worthless				over eating
		weight loss/how much in how long?				over spending
		weight gain/how much in how long?				gambling problem
		feelings of sadness, depression,				use alcohol/drugs. If you do,
		hopelessness				how frequently
		withdrawing from others				how much
						other health issue
		palpitations, rapid heart beat				<u> </u>
		light headedness				
		sweating				
		trembling				feeling lonely even when with others
		sense of dread				feeling shy or uneasy
		muscle tension				wanting to be alone often
		chest pains				feeling bored with others
		frequent urination				arguing with others
		dizziness				feeling critical of others
		panic attacks				feeling people dislike you
		shortness of breath				feel that people are out to harm you
		cold, clammy hands				other relationship problems
		afraid of losing control				feel others do not understand you
		avoiding certain situations				difficulty communicating what you really
		fainting				think or feel
		tense or anxious all day				feel others do not meeting your needs
		very anxious in social situations				feel others are inferior to you
		recurring troubling thoughts, images,				feeling inadequate, less than others
		impulses you can't get out of your mind				have phobias (fears); of what?
		repetitive behaviors such as excessive hand				
		washing, etc				feel that you can read people's minds
						have homicidal thoughts
		decreased need for sleep				see visions/hear voices
		increased sex drive				have special powers
		greatly increased energy				feel that people can read your mind
		described by friends as hyper or excitable				feel that people control your actions
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		headaches	Anyt	(hi	na ola	se you would like me to know?
		itching	Allyt	.111	ng eis	be you would like life to know (
		-				
		lower back pain				
		nausea, upset stomach, indigestion, ulcers,				
		vomiting				
		hot or cold spells				
		numbness or tingling in parts of your body				

# **Childhood and Family History**

Current Living Situation	on:
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Spouse/Significant Other's Name:				
Age: Spouse/Significant C	ther's Occupation:			
Children's Names and Ages:				
Name Age	Name	Age	Name	Age
Who currently lives in your household?				
Background Information:				
What is your ethnic, cultural and religion	us background?			
List your brothers and sisters from olde	st to youngest and their ages.	Indicate (B) biologic	al, (S) step or (H) half sibling:	please:
Name Age				-
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Did your parents live together througho	ut your childhood? () Yes ()	No II not, what h	appened and now old were y	ou?
Number of times moved and at what ag	e:	Grew	<i>r</i> up in	
Special problems in the family: () Disa	abled child () Parents fought	() Death in the fan	nily () Hospitalizations () A	lcohol/drugs
() Serious medical illness ()	Parent unemployment () Pare	ent changed jobs a	lot () Legal problems () Of	her
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What were you like as a child? () Had Other (please explain):		() Got into trouble	in school () Had problems	with the law
Did you have any of these problems with		abused () Sexual	ly abused () Fought with p	arents
() Felt like you did not belong				
() Other				
Take these few lines to describe your c	hildhood and your relationship	with your parents:		

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## CONSENT TO TREATMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY

## **CONSENT TO TREATMENT**

Psychotherapy may involve change, or the possibility of change, which may feel threatening and cause anxiety not only to you but also to those people close to you. The prospect of giving up old habits, no matter how destructive or painful, can often make you feel quite vulnerable. At the same time, discovering tools and techniques that are used to improve the quality of your life and your relationships can be very helpful. Most people find the benefits of therapy outweigh any risks. In fact, sometimes there can be more risks associated with *not* participating in therapy.

- <u>My Credentials:</u> I am a licensed clinical social worker and an independent private practitioner. I provide individual, couples and family therapy to adults, adolescents and children.
- <u>Session Duration</u>: Unless otherwise agreed, the initial evaluation is 50-90 minutes, regular individual sessions are **50 minutes**, and couples and family therapy sessions are 50-90 minutes. Weekly appointments are the usual pattern when beginning psychotherapy. Other arrangements may be made depending on your individual circumstances and clinical needs.
- <u>Fees:</u> My fees are \$175.00 for the initial evaluation, \$150.00 for individual psychotherapy, and \$175.00 for couples or family therapy.
- **Insurance Reimbursement:** Your health insurance may provide some reimbursement for mental health treatment. I can provide you a monthly statement for you to submit directly to your insurance company.
- <u>Missed or Canceled Appointments</u>: No-show or canceled appointments may incur the full charge of the session unless a twenty-four hour notice is given, except for unforeseen emergencies or crises which requires your immediate attention. Please call and let me know as soon as possible if you will not be able to come to your appointment. You may leave a voicemail message at (916) 692-0436, which is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- <u>General Availability and Telephone Calls</u>: I can be reached Monday through Friday during normal business hours. You can leave me a voicemail message 24 hours a day 7 days a week. If it is urgent you reach me, leave your message and indicate that it is urgent that you speak to me and I will return your call as soon as I am able. Otherwise, I generally return calls within 1 business day. Please remember to leave your telephone number(s), including cell #s. *If your call is not returned within two days, please call again. Errors can occur in telephone numbers or voicemail clarity.*
- <u>Email:</u> I prefer using email only to schedule appointments or for other administrative matters. Please do not email me content related to your therapy sessions, as **email is not completely secure or confidential**. If you choose to communicate with me by email, be aware that all emails are retained in the logs of your and my Internet service providers. While it is unlikely that someone will be looking at these logs, they are, in theory, available to be read by the system administrator(s) of the Internet service provider. You should also know that any emails I receive from you and any responses that I send you become part of your psychotherapy record.
- <u>Emergencies:</u> If you are dealing with an imminent or life-threatening emergency please phone 911 immediately. If you are experiencing a psychiatric emergency, please call Sutter Center for Psychiatry at (800) 801-3077.

- **Professional Records:** The laws and standards of my profession require that I keep information about you in your Clinical Record. Except in unusual circumstances where I believe that access is reasonably likely to cause substantial harm, you may request a copy of your Clinical Record. Because these are professional records, they can be misinterpreted and/or upsetting to untrained readers. For this reason, I recommend that you initially review them in my presence, or have them forwarded to another mental health professional so you can discuss the contents.
- <u>Treatment of Minors</u>: In most cases, when the patient is a minor, the law allows parents to examine their child's treatment records. However, because privacy is crucial to successful progress for many children and adolescents, it is usually my policy to request an agreement between patient and their parents about access to information. This agreement provides that during treatment, I will give only general information about progress and the patient's attendance at scheduled sessions. If a patient discloses something which affects their safety, I will either assist the patient in discussing this with their parents or notify their parents of my concerns. In the rare case where disclosure of this information to the parent would put the patient at risk, I will notify the appropriate agencies to ensure the patient's safety.
- <u>Termination</u>: As the patient, you have the right to terminate treatment at any time. As the therapist, I can terminate treatment at anytime and facilitate a referral. If I determine you are not sufficiently benefiting from treatment, it is my ethical duty to refer you to alternative care.

### CONFIDENTIALITY

The law protects the privacy of all communications between a patient and a therapist. In most situations, I can only release information about your treatment to others if you provide written Authorization. But, there are some situations where I am permitted or <u>required</u> to disclose information without either your consent or Authorization:

- I may find it helpful to consult other health and mental health professionals about a case without revealing the identity of my patient. The other professionals are also legally bound to keep the information confidential.
- You should also be aware that your contract with your health insurance company requires that I provide it with
  information relevant to the services that I provide to you. I am required to provide a clinical diagnosis and
  sometimes additional clinical information. I will make every effort to release only the minimum information
  about you that is necessary for the purpose requested. Though all insurance companies claim to keep such
  information confidential, I have no control over what they do with it once it is in their hands. In some cases,
  they may share the information with a national medical information databank. I will provide you with a copy of
  any report I submit, if you request it.
- If you are involved in a court proceeding and a request is made for records, I cannot provide any information without your written authorization, a court order, or other legal action compelling me to release the information. If you are involved in or contemplating litigation, you should consult with your attorney to determine whether a court would be likely to order me to disclose information.
- If a government agency is requesting the information for health oversight activities pursuant to their legal authority, I may be required to provide it for them.
- If a patient files a complaint or lawsuit against me, I may disclose relevant information regarding that patient in order to defend myself.
- If a patient files a worker's compensation claim, I must, upon appropriate request, disclose information relevant to the claimant's condition, to the worker's compensation insurer.
- If a patient's account is seriously past due, I may disclose necessary information to a collection agency.

There are some situations in which I am legally <u>obligated</u> 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. These situations are unusual in my practice.

- If I reasonably suspect that a child under 18 has been the victim of child abuse or neglect, the law requires that
  I file a report with the appropriate governmental agency. I also may make a report if I reasonably suspect that
  mental suffering has been inflicted upon a child or that his or her emotional well-being is endangered in any
  other way. Once such a report is filed, I may be required to provide additional information.
- If I observe or have knowledge of an incident that reasonably appears to be physical abuse, abandonment, abduction, isolation, financial abuse or neglect of an elder or dependent adult, the law requires that I report to the appropriate government agency. Once such a report is filed, I may be required to provide additional information.
- If a patient communicates a serious threat of physical violence against an identifiable victim, I must take
  protective actions, including notifying the potential victim and contacting the police. I may also seek
  hospitalization of the patient, or contact others who can assist in protecting the victim.
- If I have reasonable cause to believe that the patient is in such mental or emotional condition as to be dangerous to him or herself, I may be obligated to take protective action, including seeking hospitalization or contacting family members or others who can help provide protection.

If such a situation arises, I will make every effort to fully discuss it with you and I will limit my disclosure to what is necessary.

YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW INDICATES THAT YOU HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS AGREEMENT AND THAT YOU VOLUNTARILY AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN TREATMENT. If the person receiving care is a minor, a parent or legal guardian acknowledges having read and understood this document and voluntarily agrees to the minor's participation in treatment.

SIGN HERE

Patient's or Guardian's Signature

Date

Printed Name and Relationship



Jaime Graves Licensed Clinical Social Worker LCSW# 28611

## NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES OF JAIME GRAVES, LCSW

Policies and Practices to Protect the Privacy of Your Health Information

# This notice describes how mental health and medical information about you may be used and disclosed and how you can get access to this information. Please review it carefully.

#### I. Disclosures for Treatment, Payment, and Health Care Operations

As your therapist, I may *use* or *disclose* your *protected health information (PHI)*, for certain *treatment, payment, and health care operations* purposes without your *authorization*. In certain circumstances I can only do so when the person or business requesting your PHI gives a written request that includes certain promises regarding protecting the confidentiality of your PHI. To help clarify these terms, here are some definitions:

- "Use" applies only to activities within my practice such as sharing, employing, applying, utilizing, examining, and analyzing information that identifies you.
- "Disclosure" applies to activities outside of my practice, such as releasing, transferring, or providing access to information about you to other parties.
- "*PHI*" refers to information in your health record that could identify you.
- *"Treatment"* is when I provide diagnosis or therapy for you. An example of treatment would be when I consult with another health care provider, such as your family physician or another therapist, regarding your treatment.
- "*Payment*" is when I obtain reimbursement for your healthcare. Examples of payment are when I disclose your PHI to your health insurer to obtain reimbursement for your health care or to determine eligibility or coverage.
- *"Health Care Operations"* is when I disclose your PHI to your health care service plan (for example your health insurer), or to your other health care providers contracting with your plan, for administering the plan, such as case management and care coordination.
- "Authorization" means written permission for specific uses or disclosures.

#### II. Uses and Disclosures Requiring Authorization

Under certain circumstances, I may use or disclose PHI for purposes outside of treatment, payment, and health care operations when your appropriate authorization is obtained. In those instances, I will obtain an authorization from you before releasing this information. You may revoke or modify this authorization at any time; however, the revocation or modification is not effective until received. I will also obtain an authorization from you before using or disclosing PHI in a way that is not described in this Notice.

#### III. Uses and Disclosures with Neither Consent nor Authorization

I may also use or disclose PHI without your consent or authorization in the following circumstances:

**Child Abuse**: Whenever I, in my professional capacity, have knowledge of or observe a child I know or reasonably suspect, has been the victim of child abuse or neglect, I <u>must</u> immediately report such to a police department or sheriff's department, county probation department, or county welfare department. Also, if I have knowledge of or reasonably suspect that mental suffering has been inflicted upon a child or that his or her emotional well-being is endangered in any other, I <u>may</u> report such to the above agencies.

Adult and Domestic Abuse: If I, in my professional capacity, have observed or have knowledge of an incident that reasonably appears to be physical abuse, abandonment, abduction, isolation, financial abuse or neglect of an elder or dependent adult, or if I am told by an elder or dependent adult that he or she has experienced these or if I reasonably suspect such, I <u>must</u> report the known or suspected abuse immediately to the local ombudsman or the local law enforcement agency.

I do not have to report such an incident if:

- I have been told by an elder or dependent adult that he or she has experienced behavior constituting physical abuse, abandonment, abduction, isolation, financial abuse or neglect;
- I am not aware of any independent evidence that corroborates the statement that the abuse has occurred;
- the elder or dependent adult has been diagnosed with a mental illness or dementia, or is the subject of a court-ordered conservatorship because of a mental illness or dementia; and
- in the exercise of clinical judgment, I reasonably believe that the abuse did not occur.

**Health Oversight**: If a complaint is filed against me with the California Board of Behavioral Sciences, the Board has the authority to subpoena confidential mental health information from me relevant to that complaint.

**Judicial or Administrative Proceedings**: If you are involved in a court proceeding and a request is made for information about the professional services that I have provided you and/or the records thereof, such information is protected by therapist-patient privilege law. I cannot provide any information without your (or your legally-appointed representative's) written authorization, a court order, or compulsory process (a

subpoena) or discovery request from another party to the court proceeding where that party has given you proper notice (when required) has stated valid legal grounds for obtaining PHI, and I do not have grounds for objecting under state law (or you have instructed me not to object). If you are involved in or contemplating litigation, you should consult with your attorney to determine whether a court would be likely to order me to disclose information.

**Serious Threat to Health or Safety**: If you communicate to me a serious threat of physical violence against an identifiable victim, I must make reasonable efforts to communicate that information to the potential victim and the police. If I have reasonable cause to believe that you are in such a condition, as to be dangerous to yourself or others, I may release relevant information as necessary to prevent the threatened danger.

**Worker's Compensation**: If you file a worker's compensation claim, I must furnish a report to your employer, incorporating my findings about your injury and treatment, within five working days from the date of the your initial examination, and at subsequent intervals as may be required by the administrative director of the Worker's Compensation Commission in order to determine your eligibility for worker's compensation.

#### IV. Patient's Rights, Therapist's Duties and Breach Notification

#### **Patient's Rights:**

*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. (For example, you may not want a family member to know that you are seeing me. Upon your request, I will send your bills to another address.)

*Right to Inspect and Copy* – You have the right to inspect or obtain a copy (or both) of PHI in my mental health and billing records used to make decisions about you for as long as the PHI is maintained in the record. I may deny your access to PHI under certain circumstances, but in some cases you may have this decision reviewed. On your request, I will discuss with you the details of the request and denial process.

*Right to Amend* – You have the right to request an amendment of PHI for as long as the PHI is maintained in the record. I may deny your request. On your request, I will discuss with you the details of the amendment process.

*Right to an Accounting* – You generally have the right to receive an accounting of disclosures of PHI for which you have neither provided consent nor authorization (as described in Section III of this Notice). On your request, I will discuss with you the details of the accounting process.

*Right to a Paper Copy* – You have the right to obtain a paper copy of the notice from me upon request, even if you have agreed to receive the notice electronically.

*Right to Restrict Disclosures When You Have Paid for Your Care Out-of-Pocket* – You have the right to restrict certain disclosures of PHI to a health plan when you pay out-of-pocket in full for my services.

*Right to Be Notified if There is a Breach of Your Unsecured PHI* – You have a right to be notified if: (a) there is a breach (a use or disclosure of your PHI in violation of the HIPAA Privacy Rule) involving your PHI; (b) that PHI has not been encrypted to government standards; and (c) my risk assessment fails to determine that there is a low probability that your PHI has been compromised.

#### Licensed Clinical Social Worker'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 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 and you are a current patient, I will attempt to notify you of the revisions on or after the effective date and you may request a written copy of the Revised Notice from this office.

#### **Breach Notification:**

When I become aware of, or suspect a breach in security of your PHI, I will conduct a Risk Assessment. I will keep a written record of this assessment and notify you if there is reasonable probability that your PHI has been compromised. I will also make changes in my privacy practices to prevent the re-occurrence of such breaches.

#### V. 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 and if you believe your concerns are not addressed, you may contact the Board of Psychology at the California Department of Consumer Affairs.

You may also send a written complaint to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

#### VI. Effective Date, Restrictions, and Changes to Privacy Policy

This notice will go into effect on December 2nd, 2014.

I reserve the right to change the terms of this notice and to make the new notice provisions effective for all PHI that I maintain. You may request a copy of the revised notice on or after the effective date.



Jaime Graves Licensed Clinical Social Worker LCSW# 28611

## NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

This form serves to acknowledge that I have received the Notice of Privacy Practices of Jaime Graves, LCSW. The Notice of Privacy Practices describes my rights and the obligations of Jaime Graves, LCSW to protect my health information including how my mental health and medical information may be used and disclosed as well as how I may access this information.

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to patient: Self \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Notice Received: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I have received the Notice of Privacy Practices of Jaime Graves, LCSW.

Patient/Guardian's Signature

Date