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Please note: Information provided here is protected and confidential

Today's date: _____

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home/Evening phone: _____ Work _____

Phone: _____

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Calls or e-mail will be discreet, but please indicate any restrictions:

Emergency Information: If an emergency arises, who should be called?

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

How were you referred to this office?

Name: _____

Internet: _____ Yellow Pages: _____ Other: _____

May I have permission to thank this person for the referral? Yes No

CHIEF CONCERN: Please describe the main difficulty that has brought you to see me:

Religious affiliation (Optional): Protestant Catholic Jewish Other

Ethnicity/National Origin:

MEDICAL CARE: How would you rate your current physical health?

Doctor's name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Please discuss your medical history and any medical concerns:

Current Medications and Reason for Use:

Please list any specific sleep problems you are currently experiencing:

Are you currently experiencing any chronic pain? Yes No

If you are taking any medications to relieve this pain, please list:

Have you ever received psychological or counseling services, psychiatric evaluation/hospitalizations or drug or alcohol treatment before? Yes No

If Yes, please describe:

Please give name of therapist(s), dates seen, reason for treatment:

Did you consider previous therapy to be helpful? Please describe:

Have you ever taken meds for psychiatric or emotional problems? Yes No
 (If yes, please list who prescribed, your understanding of why medication was prescribed, and with what results.)

YOUR CURRENT EMPLOYER:

Name:

Address:

Do you enjoy your work? Is there anything stressful about your current work?

YOUR EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

Previous Employer Name	Dates of Employment	Job Title or Duties	Reason for Leaving

YOUR EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

School	School Name	Dates of Attendance	Did you graduate?
High School:			
College:			
Graduate School:			
Other:			

FAMILY OF ORIGIN HISTORY:

Relative	Living or Deceased?	Current Age (or age at death)	Any Illnesses?	Education/Occupation
Father				
Mother				
Sibling(s)				
Grandparents				

Relationships in your family of origin: Please describe the following:

Your parents' relationship with each other:

Your relationship with each parent and with any other adult present in your home growing up:

Your relationship with your sibling(s), in the past and present:

Please circle if there is a family history of any of the following. If yes, please indicate the family member's relationship to you.

Anxiety

Domestic Violence

Obesity

Bipolar Disorder

Schizophrenia

Depression

Eating Disorders

Obsessive Compulsive Behavior

Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD)

Suicide Attempts

MARITAL/RELATIONSHIP HISTORY:

Are you in a romantic relationship? Yes No. If yes, for how long? _____
How would you rate this relationship?

If married, spouse's name and age:

How well do you get along with your present spouse or partner?

Do you confide in your mate? All the time Sometimes Rarely Never

How often do you discuss or have you considered divorce, separation, or terminating your relationship? All the time Occasionally Rarely Never

Have you been married previously? Please provide dates of these relationships:

YOUR CHILDREN: (Please indicate from which marriage or relationship)

Name	Age	Grade / Occupation

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How well do you get along with your children?

Please describe any significant non-marital relationships:

ARE YOU EXPERIENCING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? Please circle.

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| Frequent crying spells | Feelings of guilt / worthlessness |
| Difficulty concentrating | Suicidal thoughts / suicide attempts |
| Significant weight gain or weight loss | Feelings of fatigue |
| Loss of interest in daily activities | Sexual difficulties |
| Difficult making or keeping friends | Aggressive behaviors/Anger outbursts |
| Mood swings | |

Are you currently feeling overwhelming sadness, grief or depression? Yes No
If yes, for how long? _____

Are you currently experiencing anxiety, panic attacks or any phobias? Yes No
If yes, please describe: _____

HISTORY OF TRAUMA:

Abuse history: I was not abused in any way. I was abused.

Please share anything additional you think would be helpful for me to know:

YOUR HISTORY OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE: How often do you engage in recreational drug use? Daily Weekly Monthly Infrequently Never

How much beer, wine or hard liquor do you consume each day, on the average?
Per week: _____

Which drugs (non-prescription) have you used in the last ten years?

Please provide details about your use of these substances, such as amounts, how often you used them, their effects, etc.:

How much tobacco do you smoke or chew each day/week_____

FAMILY HISTORY OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE:

Relative:_____ **Substance:**_____

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FINANCIAL AND/OR LEGAL DIFFICULTIES: Are you presently suing anyone or thinking of suing anyone? Yes No.

If yes, please explain:

Other legal/financial issues causing stress:

What do you consider to be some of your strengths?

What do you consider to be some of your weaknesses?

Please discuss what you are hoping to accomplish in therapy:

Office Policies and Procedures:

In an effort to establish a trusting therapeutic relationship, I have found that an understanding of my policies prior to your first session should provide answers to many of your questions. Please feel free to ask any further questions that you may have about therapy.

The therapeutic relationship is confidential and very important to me. Written records and/or verbal information cannot be shared with another party without your permission in writing.

The State of Florida also protects your rights to have our conversations considered privileged. However, there are certain mandated legal limitations to confidentiality:

1. If I believe that you pose a threat to your life or the life of another person, I am legally responsible to take appropriate measures to prevent such action. This may include contacting appropriate authorities.

2. Abuse of Children and Vulnerable Adults:

If a client states or suggests that he or she is abusing a child under age eighteen or a vulnerable adult or has recently abused a minor child or vulnerable adult, or it is reported that a child or vulnerable adult is in danger of abuse, the mental health professional is required by law to report this information to the appropriate social service and/or legal authorities. Once the initial report is filed, I may be required to provide additional information. I will limit my disclosure to what is necessary.

If any of the above situations arise, I will make every effort to fully discuss it with you before taking any action.

Additional Information:

- 1. Therapy sessions are 50 minutes in length. Longer sessions may be scheduled at your request.**
- 2. Payment is expected at the time of the session. The charge for each session will be due at the beginning of each appointment. Payment can be made by personal check or cash.**
- 3. I will be happy to provide the necessary form for you to submit to your insurance carrier for reimbursement. Most health insurance policies will reimburse clients for our services, but some do not.**

Please take the time to contact a representative from your insurance company to determine the specific coverage of your policy. Policies may vary about reimbursement for deductibles, percentage of reimbursement, and/or whether an authorization is needed prior to treatment. It is the client's responsibility to evaluate all of this information, and to notify the therapist of any treatment constraints.

- 4. I am also available for brief phone calls in between sessions. However, in the case of a true emergency, please contact 911 or proceed immediately to a hospital emergency room.
If there is the need for lengthy phone calls and/or reports, it may be necessary to bill at the regular therapy rate.**

5. Cancellation Policy: Please be advised that if you fail to cancel a scheduled appointment in advance, I will be unable to offer this time to another client. There will not be a charge for appointments canceled at least 24 hours in advance. However, if you cancel the same day or fail to keep a scheduled appointment, you will be expected to pay for the missed session.

Your signature below indicates that you have read and understand this agreement and agree to its terms. (Parent or guardian must sign for clients under eighteen.)

DATE: _____ Client or Legal Guardian: _____