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CONSENT FOR ADULT PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES: **TELECOMMUNICATION UPDATED**

I authorize Dr. Laurie Leventhal-Belfer to see me for psychological evaluation and/or treatment. In authorizing these services, I understand that:

1. During the evaluation Dr. Leventhal-Belfer will select evaluation tools (such as formal tests, interview, or other assessment) in light of referral questions and will inform me of the nature and purpose of the assessment tools to be used. At the end of the evaluation she will meet with me to share the results of the evaluation and any recommendations about my need for further services. Dr. Leventhal-Belfer will describe the results in sufficient detail so that I have a good understanding of the assessment.
2. If I need psychological treatment, Dr. Leventhal-Belfer will explain the nature and the goals of psychotherapy and the estimated length of the treatment. To protect my privacy, she will not share the actual content of the therapy unless I have agreed that specific information can be shared or when legally mandated.
3. The information obtained during the course of my evaluation and treatment is confidential and will not be shared with others without my consent. The only exceptions are in the case of a court order or if there is a concern about my safety or the safety of others. If it should be necessary to release information in these exceptional circumstances, every reasonable effort will be made to discuss the situation with me prior to the release of information.
4. I can contact Dr. Leventhal-Belfer whenever I have questions about my treatment.
5. **WHEN DISCLOSURE MAY BE REQUIRED:** Disclosure may be required in a legal proceeding. If you place your mental/emotional status at issue in litigation which you initiate, the defendant may have the right to obtain your psychological records and/or Dr. Leventhal-Belfer’s testimony. If you have not paid your treatment bill for a prolonged time period, then your name, payment record, and last known address may be sent to a collection agency. In couple and family therapy, or when different family members are seen individually, confidentiality and privilege do not apply between the couple or among family members. Dr. Leventhal-Belfer will use her clinical judgement when revealing such information or may work with you to help you reveal confidential information.
6. **Due to the Corona virus Dr. Leventhal-Belfer needs to see all clients via telecommunication until “social distancing” regulations are changed.** Dr. Leventhal-Belfer has paid to use Doxy.me because it is one of the few websites which meets HIPAA’s privacy laws meaning the sessions are not recorded and they do not have any personal information about you. To see Dr. Leventhal-Belfer for a session, please go to: <https://doxy.me/drlaurie1> and she will see you in her “waiting room” and invite you into the session.

Date

Signature of Adult Client