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Consent to Therapy

Client Rights and Responsibilities

Ruby Visions, Maria d'Avella, MFT values and respects client rights to ethical and legal treatment and protection regarding confidentiality.

Client Rights:

- Clients have the right to receive services without discrimination regarding race, religion, gender, ethnicity, age or handicap.
- Clients have the right to be treated with respect and granted confidentiality to the extent of the law.
- Clients have the right to receive competent, qualified care in the least restrictive environment.
- Clients have a right to participate in the formation of an individualized treatment plan.
- Clients have the right to refuse treatment and be informed of appropriate procedures, except during emergency situations.
- Clients have the right to access and review their clinical records.
- Clients have a right to be informed in understandable language of their rights and responsibilities regarding therapeutic treatment.
- Clients have a right to refuse to participate in experimentation and research.
- Clients have a right to be informed of any special observation and audiovisual techniques used within the therapeutic process.
- Clients have the right to referral to other providers in the event of service discontinuation.
- Clients have the right to be informed of the extent of services available and to make an informed consent to treatment.
- Clients have the right to be informed of the cost of treatment.
- Clients have the right of grievance.

Client Responsibilities:

- You have the responsibility to participate in treatment by adequately communicating your needs, participating in the therapeutic process and taking responsibility for your health and well being.
- You have the responsibility to participate in the formation of your treatment plan.
- You have a responsibility to provide advanced noticed for missed appointments, or late arrival.
- You are responsible to provide payment for therapeutic services unless other arrangements have been made such as health insurance. Payment is accepted in the form of cash or check at the time of service.

Legal and Ethical Limitations to Confidentiality:

- If the client is a danger to themselves or others.
- If the client is involved in the abuse of children or elder persons.
- If ordered by a court of law.
- If agreed upon by entering into a signed *Release of Confidentiality*.

I have read and understand my *Client Rights and Responsibilities* and consent to receive therapeutic services by signing below.

Client/Parental Signature if client is under 18 years of age

Date

Printed Client Name

Date