

Informed Consent for In-Person & Telehealth Services DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

I, _______, Parent/ Guardian of _______ hereby consent to engage in both/either telehealth services and in-person services with Many Moons, Inc. and its clinicians, as part of my/my child's psychotherapy treatment. I have read and understand the information provided below. I have the right to discuss any of this information with my provider. I understand that I can withdraw my consent by providing written notification. My signature below indicates that I have read this Agreement and agree to its terms.

IN-PERSON SERVICES:

Both you and your clinician have agreed to meet in-person for some or all future sessions, during the coronavirus pandemic. If there is a resurgence of cases or if other health concerns arise, however, Many Moons may determine that services via telehealth is the safest option. You are always free to change/resume telehealth services. By physically entering the office, you are assuming the risk of exposure to the coronavirus (or other public health risks). This risk may increase if you travel by public transportation or participate in community events. Many Moons has taken many steps to reduce the risk of spreading the coronavirus within the office and has posted efforts on the website and in the office.

Risks & Responsibilities:

To obtain services in person, you agree to take certain precautions which will help keep yourself, your clinician, and other people on Many Moons property safe. These precautions may change as additional local, state or federal guidelines are published.

- You will only keep your in-person appointment if you are symptom free. If you have any symptoms of the coronavirus, you agree to cancel the appointment or proceed using telehealth. If you wish to cancel for this reason, there is no typical cancellation fee.
- To maintain social distancing, you will wait in the driveway or car and your clinician will greet you outside.
- When able/willing, you will wear and mask and wash your hands or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer when you enter and exit the building.
- If you are bringing your child, you will make sure that your child follows all of these sanitation and distancing protocols.
- If your commute or other responsibilities or activities put you in close contact with others (beyond your family), you will let your clinician know.
- If you have exposure to anyone who tests positive for the corona virus, you will resume telehealth.
- If you have tested positive for the coronavirus, Many Moons *may be* required to notify local health authorities that you have been in the office. Only minimum information necessary for their data collection will be disclosed.

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TELEHEALTH SERVICES:

Both you and your clinician have agreed to meet via telehealth for some or all future sessions, during the coronavirus pandemic. You are always free to change/resume in-person services, when both you and your clinician determine that it is safe to do so. I understand that "telehealth" includes the practice of diagnosis, consultation, treatment, transfer of clinical data, and education using interactive audio, video, or data communications. Please note that reimbursement/coverage for telehealth services is also determined by the insurance companies and may be different from in-person services.

Risks & Responsibilities:

I have a right to confidentiality with Telehealth under the same laws that protect the confidentiality of my medical information for in-person psychotherapy. Any information disclosed by me during the course of my therapy, therefore, is generally confidential. However, there are both mandatory and permissive exceptions to confidentiality. And I understand that there are risks unique and specific to Telehealth, including but not limited to:

- our therapy sessions could be: a.) disrupted, distorted, disconnected by technical failures, b.) interrupted by a family member or person present in my home, c.) inadvertently accessed by unauthorized persons
- my therapist may hear or view things within my home that I did not intentionally disclose
- any personally identifiable images or information from the teletherapy interaction becomes part of my clinical record, despite my written consent or intention to disclose such information.
- some technologies and their use do not comply with current HIPAA requirements. However, given the current COVID-19 pandemic, covered healthcare providers can use any non-public facing remote, audio or video communication product available to provide telehealth services and to more generally communicate about non-clinical matters. It applies to all uses of telehealth provided for any reason, regardless of whether the service is directly related to the diagnosis or treatment related to COVID-19 health conditions.

Client Signature:	Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Clinician Signature:	Date:

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