

New Heights Counseling Services
Client Information Form

First Appointment: _____ Today's Date: _____

Client Information				
Last Name		First Name		Initial
Address		City	Sate	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone		Work Phone	
Is it okay to leave a voicemail and or message with someone at the above number <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
If yes, which number above <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Work				
Date of Birth		Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Soc. Sec. Num.	Marital Status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
Employer Name		School Name (If Student)		

In the event of an emergency New Heights Counseling Services has permission to contact:

_____ at _____
Name Relationship Phone Number

Responsible Party Personal Information (Guarantor)				
(Do not complete this section if the Responsible Party information is the same as client information)				
Last Name		First Name		Initial
Address		City	Sate	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone		Work Phone	
Is it okay to leave a voicemail and or message with someone at the above number <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
If yes, which number above <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Work				
Date of Birth		Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Soc. Sec. Num.	Marital Status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
Employer Name		School Name (If Student)		

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Primary Insurance Information				
(You must complete this section and present a copy of your insurance card for insurance to be billed)				
Insurance Company		Phone Number		
Relationship to Client		Employer		
ID Number		Group / Policy Number		
Subscriber Last Name		Subscriber First Name		Subscriber Initial
Subscriber Address		Subscriber City	Subscriber State	Subscriber Zip
Subscriber Home Phone	Subscriber Work Phone		Subscriber Date of Birth	
Subscriber Soc. Sec. Num.		Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other		

I authorize the release of any information necessary to process claims with my insurance company and I authorize my insurance company to make payments for my treatment directly my counselor. I further understand that I am responsible for paying any deductible or co-pay (where applicable).

Signature of Responsible Party

Today's Date

I authorize my counselor to release information to our billing service: My Client's Plus, for the purposes of billing.

Signature of Responsible Party

Today's Date

PLEASE NOTE: We **do not** bill secondary insurance. If you choose to submit on your own, you must use the Explanation of Benefits statement sent by the primary insurance company to your address.

For Office Use Only	
Counselor Assigned:	
Amount due at time of services: \$	
Diagnosis 1	Diagnosis 2
Additional Information:	

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QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR INSURANCE COMPANY

Health insurance policies are an agreement between you and your insurance company. To help you understand what coverage you can expect in relationship to outpatient psychotherapy (counseling), simply call your insurance company regarding outpatient behavioral healthcare and ask the following questions. Although not every area of treatment is covered on this form, it should clarify most questions, and be useful in submitting claims.

Date you called your insurance company: _____

Name of the Person who gave you the information: _____

Does my policy cover outpatient psychotherapy? YES NO

Does my policy require pre-certification or pre-authorization? YES NO

If YES, how many visits will be pre-certified? _____

What are the effective dates of the authorization? _____

What is the authorization number? _____

What is the address my provider will use to mail my claim forms? _____

Does my policy require a referral from a doctor within my network? YES NO

Do I have to choose a mental health provider within my network? YES NO

If NO, do I have out-of-network benefits? YES NO

What are my out-of-network benefits? _____

Is (Clinician's Name / Credential) within my network? YES NO

Are there limits to my coverage? YES NO

If YES, what are those limits? _____

Are there limits to the number of visits allowed? YES NO

If YES, how many visits are allowed per year? _____

Is this per calendar year or contract year? _____

What is my deductible? _____ Is that yearly? YES NO Has it been met? YES NO

On what date does the deductible begin? _____

Are there separate deductibles for physical and mental health? YES NO

Do I have a Co-pay or a Co-insurance payment? YES NO

If YES, how much is it or what is the percentage per visit? _____

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Child Information			
Form being completed by <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			
Childs Last Name	Childs First Name	Childs Initial	
Date of Birth	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Name of Current School			Current Grade
Referred by: <input type="checkbox"/> Internet <input type="checkbox"/> Pediatrician <input type="checkbox"/> School <input type="checkbox"/> Social Services <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			
Address		City	Sate Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
Is it okay to leave a voicemail and or message with someone at the above number <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If yes, which number above <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Work			
Emergency Contact Person:			
Relationship		Phone	

Legal Custodian Information			
Last Name	First Name	Initial	
Address		City	Sate Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Work Phone	
Is it okay to leave a voicemail and or message with someone at the above number <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If yes, which number above <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Work			
Date of Birth	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Soc. Sec. Num.	Marital Status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Employer Name	Relationship to Child		

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Child History Questionnaire

Child's main problem/major reason for seeking help at this current time:

How long has your child had these problems, symptoms, or issues?

Has your child had counseling for these issues in the past? Yes No

If YES, was the outcome helpful? Yes No

Has your child had inpatient mental health treatment? Yes No

If YES, briefly list the date(s), name of facility/therapist, presenting issues and outcome:

Describe any other behavioral or emotional problems your child is having:

Describe your child's strengths and unique qualities:

Is your child currently under the care of a physician or psychiatrist? Yes No

If YES, Doctor's Name:

Phone #

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Is your child currently taking any medications? Yes No

Name of Medication	Prescribed By	Prescribed For

Does this child have a history of abuse (physical, sexual, emotional, neglect)? Yes No

If YES, please describe briefly, including date(s), location, perpetrator(s), type of abuse and impact on the child and family:

Is there legal action pending related to accusations of abuse? Yes No

If YES, describe briefly:

Is there any other legal action that may have impacted your child? Please check all that apply below:

	Current	Past		Current	Past
Custody	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Visitation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adoption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Protective Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Probation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Describe briefly:

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Behavior Checklist

Please check any of the following behaviors that concern you:

Behavior	Current	Past	Behavior	Current	Past
Crying, sadness, depression	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Temper outbursts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Loss of enjoyment of usual activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irritability, anger	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expressing a wish to die	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Argues a lot	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bedtime fears, won't sleep	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disobedience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has threatened/attempted suicide	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does things that annoy others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Worries more than others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unusual fears or phobias	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Panics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Anxious, nervous	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Repeats unnecessary act over and over	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is overly concerned about things	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has rituals, habits, superstitions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Twitches or unusual movements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eats very little/fasts to lose weight	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gorges or binge eats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sleepwalking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blames other for own mistakes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Withdrawn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Easily annoyed by others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nightmares, night tremors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Swears or uses obscene language	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Low self-esteem	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wanting to run away	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wakes up very early, unable to go back to sleep	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sneaks out at night	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tiredness, fatigue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injures self	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restless sleep, wakes frequently	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stealing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trouble going to sleep	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lying	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sleeps too much	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hurts animals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Poor appetite	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Destroys property	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Under or overweight	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hurts people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over-activity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Drug Use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frequently acts without thinking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alcohol use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Doesn't finish things	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cigarette use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disruptive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sexual problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Short attention span	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Problems with authority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Daydreams, fantasizes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Problems with law enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Easily distracted	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low motivation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hallucinations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vomits intentionally	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bedwetting/daytime wetting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Soiling (pooping) in pants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strange or unusual behavior	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disorientation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pornography	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masturbation/Sexual Activity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Forms of discipline used in the home: Time out Loss of privileges Grounding
 Rewards/incentives Extra Chores Physical/corporal punishment Spanking
 Other:

Relationship Development
Check each item that describes your child:

	Current	Past		Current	Past
Prefers to be alone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is demanding and bossy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is alone a lot, but dislikes this and feels lonely	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fights with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is shy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bullies others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has few friends	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Teases a lot	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has many friends	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plays with younger kids	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Plays with "problem kids"	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor with older kids	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is picked on a lot	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor relationships with peers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is oversensitive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conflict with parents/step-parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Poor relationship with teachers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Has difficulty getting along with brothers and sisters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

School
Check any area of concern:

	Current	Past		Current	Past
Dislikes school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Missed many school days	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Works hard but does not do well	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Repeated a grade	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unmotivated, refuses to complete work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Discipline referrals, detentions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Learning problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspensions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expulsions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

If your child has been suspended or expelled, please explain below:

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Family Stressors
Check all that apply:

	Current	Past		Current	Past
Marital problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marital separation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Legal issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Divorce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Death of a friend	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Custody disputes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Death of a relative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Financial problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Death of a pet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Job loss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family illness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parents using alcohol/drugs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other stressors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If other stressors, please describe:

Developmental History

During pregnancy, did mother: Drink alcohol Use drugs Illness Accident
 Problems with pregnancy Problems with labor Problems with delivery

If any checked, please describe:

Please check if child is/was delayed in any of the following areas: Holding head up Turning over
 Sitting up Crawling Walking alone Weaning Feeding self Toilet training
 Using single words Using sentences dressing self sleeping through night

Briefly explain any delays:

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As a baby/toddler was the child: Eating well Colicky Head banging Clumsy

Performing rocking behavior Easy to regulate (sleeping/eating) Wanting to be left alone

Easy to soothe Performing risky and or daredevil behavior

Child Medical History

Condition	Yes	No	Age	Details
Serious infection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Convulsions/seizures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Head injuries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other injuries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Hospitalizations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Surgeries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Ear infections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Poisonings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Allergies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Alcoholism	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Drug use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Sexual problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Does your child have any other medical conditions? Yes No

If YES, please describe:

Does your child frequently complain of bodily aches and pains? Yes No

If YES, please describe:

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Indicate if any family members or relatives have the following:

Problem	Mother		Father		Brother		Sister		Other	
	Now	Past	Now	Past	Now	Past	Now	Past	Now	Past
Problems with attention, activity or impulse control as a child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Learning disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did not graduate from high school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drug use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Problems with aggressive behavior as adult or child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Antisocial behavior (arrests, jail, legal problems, probation, other)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Abuse victim	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Abusive to others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Depression	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nervous disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mental retardation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Serious illness or surgeries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical handicaps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tics or unusual movements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other mental problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

What are your family supports? (church, friends, clubs, etc.) _____

What are your family strengths? _____

Please list any adult(s) who are authorized to drop off or pick up your child from his/her therapy session in the event you or another legal guardian are unavailable:

Name	Relationship to Child	Phone #

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I, _____ (Name of Parent or Guardian) give my permission
to _____ (Name of Counselor), to see my son or daughter,
_____ (Name of Minor Child), for counseling services with or without
my being present during sessions. I/We understand that we have the right to control the disclosure of private
behavioral health information about my child. However, in the interest of resolving the issues, I/We have
brought to the counselor, I/We give the counselor permission to reveal or withhold information to/from us or
others that in the counselor's judgement is necessary to best help and protect my/our children.

Name of Guardian (Print)

Date

Signature of Guardian

Date

Name of Counselor (Print)

Date

Signature of Counselor

Date

New Heights Counseling Services, LLC

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Notice of Privacy Practices

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW CLINICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION PLEASE REVIEW CAREFULLY

Introduction:

This Notice describes the privacy practices of New Heights Counseling Services, LLC (hereinafter referred to as NHCS). The notice applies to all of the health records that identify you and the care you receive from us. If you are under 18 years of age, your parents or guardian must sign for you and handle your privacy rights for you.

Privacy and the Laws:

NHCS is required to give you this Notice of our Privacy Policy because of the federal law, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPPA). NHCS will follow the terms of this Notice while it is in effect and inform you of any changes. NHCS believes that your health information is personal. It keeps records of the care and services that you receive secured. It is committed to keeping your health information private, and is also required by law to respect your confidentiality.

Who Will Follow This Notice:

Any health care professional authorized to enter information into your clinical record, all employees, staff and other personnel at this practice who may need access to your information must abide by this Notice of Privacy Practices.

Protected Health Information (PHI):

Any information collected regarding your physical or mental health is called Protected Health Information (PHI). This may include the intake assessment, counseling sessions, psychological testing, records requested from other treating professionals and payment for your health care. All of this information comprises your clinical record, which may be stored as paper charts and files, computer and electronic data. The clinical record is the property of NHCS but the PHI in the clinical record belongs to you.

The Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information:

Use: This is when your information is read by your counselor or other approved NHCS personnel for routine purposes (for example: insurance billing).

Disclosure: This is when your information is shared with or sent to, others outside NHCS.

Consent Form: By law, NHCS may not treat you, unless you give it written authorization to use your PHI for the purposes of treatment, payment and healthcare operations. NHCS may use and disclose this information without your specific consent.

Treatment: NHCS may use and disclose your PHI to provide coordinate or manage your health care and related services. For example, if NHCS consults with other health care providers regarding your

treatment, or if NHCS refers you to another professional such as a physician or psychiatrist, for additional services.

Payment: NHCS may use and disclose your PHI to bill you, your insurance provider or others, to be paid for the treatment provided to you. NHCS may contact your insurance company to check exactly what your insurance covers. They may request information from NHCS, such as dates of services, your diagnoses, treatment received and planned, and progress made. NHCS may also disclose limited PHI to consumer reporting agencies relating to collection of payments owed to us.

Health Care Operations: NHCS may use and disclose your PHI for health care operations to ensure that you receive quality care. For example, to review my treatment and services and to evaluate the performance as it relates to your care.

Appointment Reminders, Test Results and Treatment Information:

NHCS may contact you to provide appointment reminders, test results, or to give you information about other treatments or health-related services that may be of interest to you. Ways NHCS may contact you include voice mail messages, letters, e-mail, text, and other forms of communications, unless you direct it otherwise in writing.

Other Uses And Disclosures Not Requiring Consent or Authorization:

The law requires NHCS to use and disclose some of your PHI without your consent or authorization.

When required by law: There are some federal, state, or local laws, which require it to disclose PHI.

By law NHCS is required to report:

- Suspected Child, Elder, or Dependant Person Abuse
- Incidents of Domestic Violence

If you are involved in a lawsuit or legal proceeding and NHCS receives a subpoena, discovery request, or other lawful process, NHCS may have to release some of your PHI. It will only do so after attempting to inform you of the request, consulting your lawyer or trying to get a court order to protect the information requested. NHCS has to release information to the government agencies, which check on us to see that NHCS is obeying the privacy laws.

For Law Enforcement Purposes: NHCS may release PHI if asked to do so by a law enforcement official to investigate a crime or criminal.

For Public Health Activities: NHCS may disclose PHI to agencies, which investigate for the purposes related to preventing or controlling disease, injury or disability.

Related to Decedents: NHCS may disclose PHI to coroners, medical examiners, or funeral directors, and to organizations relating to organ, eye or tissue donations or transplants.

For Specific Government Functions: NHCS may disclose PHI of military personnel and veterans to government benefit programs relating to eligibility and enrollment, to workers compensation programs, to correctional facilities if you are an inmate, and for national security reasons.

To Prevent a Serious Threat to Health or Safety: If NHCS believes that there is a serious threat to your health or safety, or that of another person, or the public, NHCS can disclose some of your PHI. NHCS will only do this to persons who can prevent the danger.

Uses and Disclosures to Which You Have an Opportunity to Object:

NHCS may share your PHI with your family or others involved in your care, such as close friends or clergy. You may inform NHCS as to whom you wish it to contact and the limits of what it may share. NHCS will honor your wishes as long as your request is not against the law. In an emergency NHCS may share information if it believes it is what you would have wanted and is in your best interest. NHCS will tell you, as soon as possible, of the action it has taken. NHCS will discontinue such action at your request as long as it is not against the law.

Your Personal Health Information Rights:

Rights to Request Restrictions: You may submit a written request indicating the PHI you wish to restrict or limit being disclosed. NHCS is not required to agree with your request.

Right to an Accounting of Disclosures: When NHCS discloses your PHI it keeps records to who it was sent, when, and what was sent. You may submit a written request for a list of these disclosures. You must state the time period of disclosures you are requesting that is no longer than 6 years.

Right to Amend: You may request in writing an amendment to your PHI that is incorrect or incomplete indicating a reason that supports your request. If NHCS denies your request you have the right to file a statement of disagreement with DMH. Such statements and our rebuttal will be kept on file and sent out with any future authorized requests for information pertaining to the appropriate portion of your record.

Right to Inspect and Copy: You may make a written request to inspect and copy your PHI. NHCS may deny your request in limited circumstances, including psychotherapy notes, information for use in civil, criminal and administrative action and PHI to which access is prohibited by law. If NHCS denies access you may request the denial to be reviewed by another licensed health professional. NHCS reserves the right to charge a fee for the costs of copying, mailing or other supplies associated with your request.

Right to Request Confidential Communication: You may specify, in writing, how or where you wish to be contacted to NHCS regarding the confidential communication of your PHI. You do not need to give us a reason for such a request. NHCS will accommodate all reasonable requests, but reserve the right to deny those that impose an unreasonable burden on the practice.

Right to a Paper Copy of this Notice: If you have agreed to receive this Notice of our Privacy Practices electronically, you may request a paper copy.

Uses and Disclosures Which You Authorize:

Other than as stated above, NHCS will not disclose your PHI, other than with your written authorization. You may revoke your authorization, in writing, at any time, except to the extent that NHCS has already taken action upon the authorization previously submitted.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS:

If you need more information or have questions about the privacy practices described in this document, please speak to David Hite whose telephone number is at the beginning of the document. If you have a problem with how your PHI has been handled or if you believe your privacy rights have been violated contact DMH. You have the right to file a complaint with DMH and with the Secretary of the Federal Department of Health and Human Services. NHCS promises that it will not in any way limit your care here or take any actions against you in you complain.

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