

OSHITA COUNSELING



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INTAKE FORM – COUPLES/RELATIONSHIP COUNSELING

All information is kept confidential and will not be released without your written permission.

TODAYS DATE: _____

Private Pay Insurance Carrier _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

DOB: ___/___/___ Age ___ Gender: Female Male Other _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

Marital Status: Single Married Divorced Co-habituating Dating

Length of Time in the Relationship? _____

Spouse/partner name: _____

Names and ages of children

Name	Age	Who do they reside with

Emergency Contact/Relationship : _____

Phone: _____

8. What do you hope to accomplish through counseling?

CLIENT ATTESTATION REGARDING THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS INTAKE FORM

I do hereby attest and verify that the information I have provided above is true to the best of my knowledge. If, at some later time I recall information not on this form that I feel would be relevant to my treatment, I will update my therapist.

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Sign Name: _____

NO CALL / NO SHOW / LATE CANCELLATION POLICY

This policy has been established in order to provide the highest level of clinical services to all of our clients. It has been proven that consistent attendance to one's treatment provides the greatest opportunity for success. By providing proper notice of a cancellation, we may be able to accommodate other clients with your appointment slot. Additionally, I schedule time aside to ensure that you receive my undivided attention and the expectation is that you will arrive at least 5 minutes early for your session.

Please make arrangements for childcare

I DO NOT ALLOW CHILDREN IN THE WAITING AREA

A late arrival of 15 minutes or more does not allow time for a proper session and will be identified as a missed appointment - your insurance carrier (*if applicable*) will be notified. If you need to cancel or reschedule I require 24 hours' notice. Cancellation calls with less than 24 hour notice will be considered a late cancellation and will be assessed a fee of \$55.00.

- A Client will be allowed to continue with their therapy after two no-show/late cancellations, provided an acceptable explanation is supplied to the Therapist.
- After three (3) no shows/late cancellations, the Client will be discharged from treatment, as the client will have demonstrated a lack of commitment to the therapeutic process and would therefore not be an appropriate candidate for treatment. Notice will be sent to both you and your insurance carrier (*if applicable*) explaining the reason for discharge and all future appointments will be removed from the schedule.
- While we do understand that emergencies arise and that it may not be possible to give such a notice, exceptions to the No-Show/Late Cancellation Policy will be discretionary and an ultimate decision made by the treating therapist.

I have discussed, acknowledge and fully understand the No Call/No Show Late Cancellation Policy.

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Sign Name: _____

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:

Payments to be rendered the same day as service

Oshita Counseling takes great care to ensure that each client’s therapeutic needs are met in a manner that is both ethical and beneficial to the client. We recognize that there may be situations where a client’s insurance carrier no longer covers their therapy sessions. Because Oshita Counseling does not provide pro bono (free) services we ask that you verify that your insurance coverage is active prior to your session. We also make an attempt to do the same.

A late arrival of 15 minutes or more does not allow time for a proper session and will be identified as a missed appointment - your insurance carrier (*if applicable*) will be notified. If you need to cancel or reschedule I require 24 hours’ notice. Cancellations with less than 24-hours notice will be considered a late and will be assessed a fee of \$55.00.

Once a Client is no longer eligible for insurance coverage, we will notify you prior to your appointment and will be given the option to transition to a private/cash pay client .

Policy for Collections:

In the event that a client fails to render payment for a session no longer covered by their insurance provider, or fails to pay any No Show fees, Oshita counseling will notify the client twice within a 30-day period to allow them time to remedy the past-due amount. After 30 days has lapsed without payment, the matter will be submitted to collections.

I have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions set forth above and my obligation as set forth in the Financial Responsibility section.

Date: _____ Print _____

Sign _____

CONFIDENTIALITY DISCLOSURE

During therapy we will explore different aspects of functioning including difficult emotional stories from different stages of your life. Sometimes these issues will include things you don't want others to know. As a general rule, I keep all information you share with me confidential, however, by law I am required to disclose information whether or not I have your permission. I have listed some of these situations below:

- **You tell me you plan to cause serious harm or death to yourself**, and I believe you have the intent and ability to carry out this threat in the near future. I must take steps to inform a family member, parent/ guardian, or specialized team of what you have told me and how serious I believe this threat to be. I must make sure that you are protected from harming yourself.
- **You tell me you plan to cause serious harm or death to someone else** who can be identified, and I believe you have the intent and ability to carry out this threat in the very near future. In this situation, I must inform the authorities and I must inform the person who you intend to harm.
- **You tell me a child is being abused physically, sexually, emotionally** or that you have been abused in the past. In this situation, I am required by law to report the abuse to Child Protective Services.
- **You tell me an elderly person is being abused, physically, sexually, financially, or emotionally**, at which point I will have to report to Adult Protective Services.
- **Subpoena.** You are involved in a court case and a request is made for information about your counseling or therapy. If this happens, I will not disclose information without your written agreement unless the court requires me to do so through subpoena. I will do all I can within the law to protect your confidentiality, and if I am required to disclose information to the court, I will inform you that this is happening.

I have discussed these issues with my therapist, and I understand that confidentiality can be broken when there is serious threat of self-harm, harm to others, or the safety of children and elderly people, or if subpoenaed by the court.

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Sign Name: _____

TERMINATION OF TREATMENT

Termination of services can occur for different reasons and may be terminated when any of the following occurs:

- Completion of services is achieved
- You choose to discontinue treatment
- I feel that you may be in need of a higher level of treatment and your issues fall out of the scope of my practice. In this case, appropriate referrals will be provided
- Excessive missed appointments
- Inappropriate behavior and/or comments during treatment
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DISCLOSURE REGARDING TREATMENT OUTCOMES CONSENT FOR TREATMENT

I have been informed and understand that while there are significant benefits to participating in therapy, as it may have an impactful and positive effect in mitigating symptoms related to each individual's issues, it is in no way a guarantee of a favorable outcome regarding the therapy process. As such, I do hereby consent to treatment.

“NO SECRETS” POLICY

At no time during the course of therapy will I engage either party in communication outside the presence of the other party. In other words, if you're needing me to know something, then its important that your partner be made aware of it also and it should be done when we are in session together. I'll not respond to texts, calls or emails "telling" on the other person.

I have read, discussed and understand and agree to comply with the "Termination of Treatment", "Disclosure Regarding Treatment Outcomes / Consent for Treatment" and the "No Secrets" policy.

Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Sign: _____

This page for Therapist's use only

Therapist's Attestation

I have reviewed this intake form and asked the client if they understood and agreed to the terms and conditions of treatment as set forth above. Additionally, I addressed any concerns and/or questions the client had related to this form.

Date: _____

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Notes: None

