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HIPPA Notice of Privacy Practices

This notice describes how medical information about you may be used and disclosed and how you can get access to this information.

Christa U. Simons MA, LPC, LLC is committed to maintaining client confidentiality. We will only release healthcare information about you in accordance with federal and state laws and ethics of the counseling and social work profession.

This notice describes our policies related to the use and disclosure of your healthcare information.

Treatment: We may need to use or disclose health information about you to provide, manage, or coordinate your care or related services. This may include consultants and potential referral sources.

Payment: We may need to use or disclose information needed to process your payments as well as information needed for billing and collection purposes.

Healthcare Operations: We may need to use information about you to review our treatment procedures and business activity. Information may be used for certification, compliance and licensing activities.

Other uses or disclosure of your information that does not require consent: There are some instances where we may be required to use and disclose information without your consent. For example:

- Information you and/or your child or children report about physical or sexual abuse. By New Jersey State Law we are obligated to report this to the Department of Child Protection and Permanency.
- Information that informs us that you are in danger of harming yourself or others.
- Information to remind you of or to reschedule appointments or treatment alternatives.
- Information shared with law enforcement if a crime is committed on our premises or against our staff or as required by law such as a subpoena or court order.