



Couples Release of Information

In marriage or family counseling, all parties involved in counseling share the responsibilities as a client and enter into a joint counseling relationship. In order to provide the best possible counseling services, I must remain neutral and not side with any one part of the group. The best method for me to accomplish this is to not keep secrets. Therefore, all contact with me (Dr. Belaire) (inside or outside of the scheduled counseling session) is considered part of the therapeutic session. All information and material obtained individually from an adult client becomes a permanent component of the joint record. Any information in the joint record is the legal property of all parties involved and subsequently may be shared with the respective parties. Every effort will be made to protect an individual's confidentiality unless it is detrimental to treatment or meets the exceptions noted in the Declaration Statement. Any material obtained from a minor client may be shared with the client's parent or guardian at the counselor's discretion. In order for material in a joint record to be released to a third party, all adult members must sign a release of information form.

I understand and agree to the terms of confidentiality listed above.

I understand that I may revoke this consent to the release of information in writing at any time and that this consent will expire at the termination of the counseling relationship or no later than sixty (60) days from the last appointment. I further understand that any release which has been made prior to my written revocation and which was made in reliance upon this authorization shall not constitute a breach of my right of confidentiality.

Signature

Date

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