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INFORMED CONSENT FOR IN-PERSON SERVICES DURING COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

This document contains important information about our decision (yours and mine) to resume in-person services in light of the COVID-19 public health crisis. Please read this carefully and let me know if you have any questions. When you sign this document, it will be an official agreement between us.

Your Responsibility to Minimize Your Exposure

To obtain services in person, you agree to take certain precautions which will help keep everyone (you, me, and our families, and other clients) safer from exposure, sickness and possible death.

- You will cancel your in-person appointment if you or anyone you have been exposed to has any signs of illness, including, but not limited to cough, shortness of breath, fever, chills, muscle aches, sore throat, headache.
- You will try not to touch your face or eyes with your hands. If you do, you will immediately wash your hands with soap and water.
- You will take steps between appointments to minimize your exposure to COVID-19.
- If your commute or other responsibilities or activities put you in close contact with others (beyond your family), you will let me [and my staff] know.
- If you, a resident of your home, or anyone else with whom you have been in contact with tests positive for the infection, you will immediately let us know by phone, text, or email prior to any in-person appointments you have scheduled.
- You will be expected to answer questions regarding symptoms and possible exposure prior to each visit.
- You will continue to follow state and federal guidelines to minimize exposure to COVID-19 outside of your therapy time.
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Our Responsibility to Minimize Your Exposure

In addition to following the same responsibilities above that we expect of you, Memory Partners OT will:

- Not enforce our cancellation policies if you cancel due to signs of illness, possible exposure to illness, or fear of exposure to illness.
- Wear a mask and keep a 6 foot distance as much as possible.
- Sanitize all materials being used with a CDC recommended disinfectant.
- Have designated materials for you and all other materials will be able to be disinfected.
- Provide a mask for you if needed.

My personal commitment to your health and mine

Memory Partners OT staff are committed to following CDC guidelines by limiting time in the public, wearing a mask if out in public, and following hygiene and sanitizing practices. We will also be happy to answer your questions about our personal practices so you understand your risk of exposure.

We may change the above precautions if additional local, state or federal orders or guidelines are published. If that happens, we will talk about any necessary changes.

If You or I Are Sick

You understand that we are committed to keeping you and all of our families safe from the spread of this virus. If we believe that you have a fever or other symptoms, or believe you have been exposed, we will have to end our appointment immediately. We may be able to continue our treatment through Telehealth if appropriate.

If any of our staff tests positive for the coronavirus, we will notify you so that you can take appropriate precautions.

Your Confidentiality in the Case of Infection

If you have tested positive for the coronavirus, I may be required to notify local health authorities that you have been in contact with me. If I have to report this, I will only provide the minimum information necessary for their data collection and will not go into any details about the reason(s) for our visits. By signing this form, you are agreeing that I may do so without an additional signed release.

Informed Consent

This agreement supplements the general informed consent/business agreement that we agreed to at the start of our work together.

Your signature below shows that you agree to these terms and conditions.

Patient/Signer

Date