

Informed Consent for Teletherapy
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Although the internet provides the appearance of confidentiality in counseling, privacy is more of an issue online than in person. I will insure confidentiality at my location as I would in my office. I will secure my computer hardware, internet access points and password security. I have chosen to use Doxy.me as the software provider for teletherapy and web conferencing. Doxy.me can be used by following a personalized link without downloading any new software. Your personal information from accessing Doxy.me is encrypted and stored on a secure server in compliance with HIPAA regulations.

You (the client) are responsible for privacy on your end of the session by securing your computer hardware, internet access points, and password security. It is important for you to understand that confidentiality in online communication can be breached by others with access to your computer or email account.

Recording of sessions with Michelle Scheu, LCSW via teletherapy are not allowed. Posting of any portion of sessions on social media is also prohibited.

Misunderstandings are possible with real-time internet chat for several reasons including the lack of non-verbal cues for the therapist and connection problems causing image delays or less than optimal image quality. It is important to let me know if you cannot hear or understand our communication. If there is ever a disruption of services on the internet that cannot be re-established within five minutes, I will call to discuss how to proceed with the session.

I have read & understand the above. I have had an opportunity to ask questions regarding the teletherapy service provided by Michelle D. Scheu, LCSW.

Client Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if applicable) _____ Date _____