

Gainesville Healing House, Inc.
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Confidentiality Policy

In general, the law in Florida requires us as a Mental health Practice to protect the confidentiality of information that you communicate to us during the course of your treatment. We can only release information about our work to others with your written permission. Some exceptions to this exist. If you have any questions about this policy, we can review this at any time.

The exceptions include, but are not limited to the following situations:

Duty to Warn and Protect

When a client discloses intentions or a plan to harm another person, the mental health professional is required to warn the intended victim and report this information to legal authorities. In cases in which the client discloses or implies a plan for suicide, the health care professional is required to notify legal authorities and make reasonable attempts to notify the family of the client.

Abuse of Children and Vulnerable Adults

If a client states or suggests that he or she is abusing a child (or vulnerable adult) or has recently abused a child (or vulnerable adult), or a child (or vulnerable adult) is in danger of abuse, the mental health professional is required to report this information to the appropriate social service and/or legal authorities.

Prenatal Exposure to Controlled Substances

Mental Health care professionals are required to report admitted prenatal exposure to controlled substances that are potentially harmful.

Insurance Providers (when applicable)

Insurance companies and other third-party payers are given information that they request regarding services to clients. Information that may be requested includes, but is not limited to types of services, dates/times of service, diagnosis, treatment plan, description of impairment, progress of therapy, case notes, and summaries.

My signature attests that I have read and understood these policies.

Client Signature _____ Date _____