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**Client Consent & Disclosure Form**  
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As a Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker in the State of Washington (LW 60265048), I am providing the following disclosure of information, policies, and procedures so you are able to be fully informed about me and offer your consent to treatment.

**Education, Training, and Experience.** I earned my Masters degree in Social Work from Eastern Washington University, with a concentration in Children, Youth, and Families. I received my Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from Washington State University. I regularly participate in continuing education in specialized areas to be able to provide quality treatment for my clients, and as a condition of my licensure in the state of Washington. Past work experience includes individual and group counseling with children, adolescents, and families. My work in the public school system and in social service agencies focused on providing comprehensive support services in the areas of mental illness, behavioral disorders, and trauma.

**Therapeutic Orientation.** As a strengths based, solution-oriented therapist, I focus on your natural resources and resiliencies to help you make powerful and positive changes in your life. My approach to therapy is to start where you are and work with you toward where you want to be. As you teach me about your own unique skills and strengths, we will consider all facets of your life such as: emotional, behavioral and spiritual life as well as the environment that surrounds you daily. I will help you to look at your past, present, and future to identify presenting problems and solutions. I truly embrace the process of collaborative problem solving and skill building to help you and your family discover and live a more meaningful, satisfying and authentic life.

**Confidentiality.** All information you disclose in treatment is confidential unless you specifically request a release of this information in writing. It is important however, that you are aware that the law provides certain exclusions from confidentiality that include, but are not limited to: reported child, elder and dependent adult abuse; when a client makes a serious threat of violence towards a reasonably identifiable victim; when a client is dangerous to him/herself or the person or property of another; or when there is a court order. For my own professional growth and development and to ensure quality service to you, I participate in small consultation groups with other therapists. I may discuss your situation but will do so without revealing your name or other identifying information so as to maintain confidentiality.

#### **Fee Information and Cancellation Policy.**

Intake Session (50 minutes): \$165

Couple/Family/Individual Session (50 minutes): \$130

Credit cards, cash and personal checks made payable to "Vickie Hermann" are accepted. When we schedule an appointment, I set aside that time exclusively for you. I would like a 24-hour advance notice if you must cancel or reschedule any appointment. It is my policy to charge a fee of \$100 for any missed appointments or one that is cancelled with less than 24-hour notice.

**Insurance Reimbursement.** If you have a health insurance policy, it will often offer some coverage for mental health treatment. I will provide you with whatever assistance I can in helping you receive the benefits to which you are entitled; however, you, and not your insurance company, are responsible for full payment of my fees.

You should be aware that submitting claims to your insurance company requires a mental health diagnosis and carries a certain amount of risk to confidentiality, privacy, and to future capability to obtain health or life insurance. The risk stems from the fact that mental health information is likely to be entered into insurance companies' computers and is likely to be reported to the National Medical Data Bank.

**Emergencies.** I attempt to respond to my messages within 24 hours. If you need help sooner or if there is a life-threatening emergency, call Clark County Crisis Line (360.696.9560), call 911, or go to the nearest hospital emergency room.

**Laws and Client Rights.** *WAC 308-109-040:* (WA Registration #RC 39893) Counselor practicing for a fee must be registered or certified within the department of health for protection of public health and safety. Registration of an individual with the department does not include recognition of any practice standards, nor necessarily implies the effectiveness of any treatment. *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA):* My Notice of Privacy Practices provided at intake informs you of HIPAA, a federal law that provides privacy protections and patient rights with regard to the use and disclosure of your Protected Health Information (PHI) used for the purpose of treatment, payment, and health care operations. This notice carries more detailed information regarding your rights. *Washington State Department of Health's brochure for counseling clients* is provided at intake. It contains information about client and counselor rights and responsibilities, confidentiality, and an assurance of professional conduct. If you wish to complain about any improper conduct you can call the state Department of Health, Health Professions Quality Assurance Division, PO Box 47869, Olympia, WA 98504.

**Consent.** I have read and understand all the information provided in this disclosure statement. I hereby give my consent for treatment. I have been provided a copy of this Client Consent and Disclosure Form, Integrity Counseling Notice of Privacy Practices, and Washington State Department of Health's brochure for counseling clients.

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Client's Signature

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Date

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Client's Printed Name

If a client is under 13 years of age:

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Child's Name

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Date of Birth

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Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

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Date

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Parent/Legal Guardian's Printed Name

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Vickie Hermann, LICSW LLC

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Date