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Information & Consent Form

Psychological Service

As part of providing a psychological counselling/treatment service to you, personal information relevant to your current situation will need to be collected and recorded. This information will be a necessary part of the psychological assessment and treatment process. You do not have to give all of your personal information, but if you don't, this may mean that the psychological service may not be able to be provided to you.

Purpose of Collecting and Holding Information

The information is gathered as part of the assessment, diagnosis and treatment of the client's condition and is seen only by the psychologist. The information is retained in order to document what happens during sessions, and enables the psychologist to provide relevant information and informed psychological service/

Confidentiality

All personal information gathered by the psychologist during the provision of the psychological service will remain confidential and secure except where:

1. It is subpoenaed by a court, or
2. Failure to disclose the information would place you or another person at serious and imminent risk; or
3. Your prior approval has been obtained to:
 - a. Provide a written report to another professional or agency eg., a GP or a lawyer, or;
 - b. Discuss the material with another person eg., a parent or employer; or if disclosure is otherwise required or authorised by law.

Fees

The cost of a consultation (*usually around "50" minutes in duration*) is \$180, which is payable on the day of the appointment – no accounts are given. If, for some reason you need to cancel or postpone the appointment, you are required to give at least 48 hours notice. Cancellations of 24-48 hours notice incur a charge of 50% of the psychological consultation fee. Cancellations of less than 24 hours notice incur a charge of 100% of the psychological consultation fee. For appointments that are scheduled on a Monday, please note that advice of inability to attend is required to be provided on the preceding Friday – advice of cancellation provided over the

weekend will not be accepted. Additionally, please be aware that a Medicare rebate is not available for cancelled appointments which incur a cancellation fee.

Psychological appointments funded through such systems as WorkCover, TAC, and Department of Veterans Affairs, are also subject to the cancellation policy previously outlined. That is, if you are receiving psychological services through one of the above systems and the cancellation policy is not adhered to, the cancellation charge will be forwarded to the client – not to WorkCover, TAC, or the Department of Veterans Affairs. In the case of ATAPS, David Younger Psychology reserves the right to review the provision of treatment services after one scheduled appointment has been cancelled.

Please note that additional fees may apply in the case of a request to provide a Psychological Treatment Report. A fee schedule will be provided to the client in such a case.

Release of Information to Treating Practitioners

When people are referred by their treating General Practitioner or another health provider, it is often expected that the psychologist will provide a verbal and/or written update of psychological treatment. Over the course of treatment a verbal or written update may need to be provided to your General Practitioner. If you do not wish for this to occur then please raise your concerns at the Initial Psychological appointment. By signing below however, you are agreeing that David Younger is able to liaise with your General Practitioner.

I, (*print name in Block letters*), have read and understood the above Consent Form. I agree to these conditions for the psychological service provided by (*insert name of psychologist*”).

Signature..... Date.....

Please note, if after reading this page you are at all unsure of what is written, please discuss it with the psychologist.

Yours sincerely,

David Younger
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