



## **Disclosure Statement**

Colorado Law requires that the following information be provided to all clients.

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The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies has the general responsibility of regulating the practice of licensed psychologists, licensed social workers, licensed professional counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, licensed school psychologists practicing outside the school setting, and unlicensed individuals who practice psychotherapy.

The agency within the Department that has responsibility specifically for licensed and unlicensed psychotherapists is:

Department of Regulatory Agencies  
Mental Health Section  
1560 Broadway, Suite 1350  
Denver, CO 80202  
(303) 894-7766

If there are any complaints or concerns regarding the practice of mental health, please direct them to the above listed department.

A separate addendum to this disclosure, which identifies your therapist's training and license, will be provided to you.

You are entitled to receive information from me regarding methods, techniques, fee structure and duration (if known) of the sessions. You have the right to seek a second opinion from another therapist or terminate therapy at any time.

The information provided by you during counseling is legally confidential except as required by law and is privileged communication and cannot be disclosed in any court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Colorado without the consent of the person to whom the testimony sought relates. If the information is legally confidential, the therapist cannot be forced to disclose the information without the client's consent. There are exceptions to the rule of confidentiality that can be explained and will be identified to you should any situations arise during therapy. Some of these exceptions are listed in section 12-43-218 and in the Notice of Privacy Rights you were provided. In general, the exceptions include a "threat of serious harm to yourself or others" as in the case of child abuse, suicide, grave disability; under a court order; or in response to any legal action taken by you against this agency. You should also be aware that provisions concerning disclosure of confidential communications shall not apply to any delinquency or criminal proceedings, except as provided in section 13-90-107 C.R.S.

In a professional relationship, sexual intimacy is never appropriate and should be reported to the board that licenses, registers, or certifies the licensee, registrant or certificate holder.

You should know that supervisors and other therapists detailed on the attached addendum may provide supervision and/or consultation to each other. As such information regarding your case may be made available to staff and contractors of Healing Connections Counseling as is warranted for administrative and/or clinical care coordination.

As to the regulatory requirements applicable to mental health professionals: a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, and a Licensed Professional Counselor must hold a masters degree in their profession and have two years of post-masters supervision. A Licensed Psychologist must hold a doctorate degree in psychology and have one year of post-doctoral supervision. A Licensed Social Worker must hold a masters degree in social work. A Psychologist Candidate, a Marriage and Family Therapist Candidate, and a Licensed Professional Counselor Candidate must hold the necessary licensing degree and be in the process of completing the required supervision for licensure. A Certified Addiction Counselor I (CAC I) must be a high school graduate, and complete required training hours and 1000 hours of supervised experience. A CAC II must complete additional required training hours and 2,000 hours of supervised experience. A CAC III must have a bachelors degree in behavioral health, and complete additional required training hours and 2,000 hours of supervised experience. A Licensed Addiction Counselor must have a clinical masters degree and meet the CAC III requirements. A Registered Psychotherapist is registered with the State Board of Registered Psychotherapists, is not licensed or certified, and no degree, training or experience is required. However the registered psychotherapist is listed in the State's database and is authorized by law to practice psychotherapy in Colorado but is not licensed by the state and is not required to satisfy any standardized educational or testing.

I understand I am responsible for all fees agreed to in the financial agreement. Fees are due upon receipt of services, and should billing attempts fail, delinquent accounts will be turned over to a collection agency.

I have been informed of my therapist's degrees, credentials and licenses. I have read the preceding information, it has also been provided verbally, and I understand my rights as a client/patient.

q I, \_\_\_\_\_, have received a copy of Higher Ground Healing Notice of Privacy Practices.

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Signature of client                      Date  
(Parent or Guardian for a minor)

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Therapist                                      Date

