

H. DENISE WOOTEN, PsyD, P.A. License #24437

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NAME: _____ DOB: _____ AGE: _____ GENDER: _____

ADDRESS _____ GRADE _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

(H) PHONE _____ (C) PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

FATHER/GUARDIAN if applicable _____ EMAIL _____

MOTHER/GUARDIAN if applicable _____ EMAIL _____

SELF (*ADULT ONLY*) OCCUPATION _____ EMPLOYER _____

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & CONSENTS

CONSENT FOR TREATMENT OF MINOR/DEPENDENT CHILD

I certify that I am the father, mother, managing conservator or legal guardian of the named child, and I hereby give my authorization and informed consent for the named child to receive psychological or therapeutic outpatient diagnostic and treatment services from H. Denise Wooten, PsyD. I further certify that I have the legal authority to authorize and consent to this treatment.

Signature & Date

CONSENT FOR TREATMENT (Adults, 18 years+ only)

I have the legal authority to give my authorization and informed consent to receive psychological or therapeutic outpatient diagnostic and treatment services from H. Denise Wooten, PsyD.

Signature & Date

CONSENT TO COMMUNICATE WITH OTHER

If you consent to allow Dr. Wooten to communicate with your physician, other professional or other person regarding your case, please sign below. Your signature will indicate your consent to this communication until you withdraw your consent in writing.

Physician/Professional/Other Name & Telephone Number: _____

Signature & Date

ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS IN-NETWORK INSURED: (Insurance Company) _____

I hereby assign payment of medical benefits to H. Denise Wooten, PsyD. I also authorize the release of any medical information requested by the above-named insurance company. The assignment will remain in effect until revoked by me in writing (a photocopy of this assignment is to be considered as valid as the original). **I understand that I am financially responsible for all charges whether or not paid by said insurance** except to the extent that a contract between the provider and the insurance company might limit that financial responsibility.

Signature & Date

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS POLICY

I understand the vulnerabilities of electronic communication and that the office of H. Denise Wooten, PsyD PA does not encourage nor limit the use of electronic communication. This can be a convenient method to correspond with the office, becomes a permanent record of the patient and cannot be guaranteed privacy and confidentiality of HIPPA if I choose this method of communication.

Signature & Date

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF OFFICE POLICIES

OUT OF NETWORK, SELF PAY RATE: \$175/UNIT. I ACKNOWLEDGE THIS RATE. _____ INITIALS

I HAVE READ THE OFFICE POLICIES AND AGREE WITH THE OFFICE POLICIES. _____ INITIALS

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HIPPA, OFFICE SERVICES AND POLICIES AGREEMENT (Revised 12-1-2021)

This document contains important information about my professional services and business policies. It also contains summary information about the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The law requires that I obtain your signature acknowledging that I have provided you with this information. Please read it carefully before signing. You may revoke this right in writing at any time.

LIMITS ON CONFIDENTIALITY

The law protects the privacy of all communications between a patient and a psychologist. In most situations, I can only release information about your treatment to others if you sign a written Authorization form that meets certain legal requirements imposed by HIPAA. There are other situations that require only that you provide written, advance consent. Your signature on this Agreement provides consent for those activities, as follows:

- Consultation with a referring health or mental health professionals about a case.
- Disclosures required by health insurers or to collect overdue fees
- If you are involved in a court proceeding and a request is made for information concerning your diagnosis and treatment, such information is protected by the psychologist-patient privilege law.
- If a government agency is requesting the information for health oversight.
- If a patient files a complaint or lawsuit against me, I may disclose relevant information regarding that patient in order to defend myself.
- If a patient files a worker's compensation claim, I must, upon appropriate request, provide records relating to treatment or hospitalization for which compensation is being sought.
- If I have cause to believe that a child under 18 has been or may be abused or neglected (including physical injury, substantial threat of harm, mental or emotional injury, or any kind of sexual contact or conduct), or that a child is a victim of a sexual offense, or that an elderly or disabled person is in a state of abuse, neglect or exploitation.
- If I determine that there is a probability that the patient will inflict imminent physical injury on another, or that the patient will inflict imminent physical, mental or emotional harm upon him/herself, or others.
- If you elect to communicate with me by email, please be aware that email is not completely confidential. My email is managed by my practice manager. All emails are retained in the logs of your and my internet service provider. Under normal circumstances, no one looks at these logs. They are, in theory, available to be read by the system administrator of the internet service provider. Any email sent/received will be kept in your treatment record.
- Regarding social media, if you should find my listing or any reference to my practice on any social media or marketing sites, please know that my listing is NOT a request for a testimonial, rating or endorsement from you as my client. Of course, you have a right to express yourself on any site you wish, but due to confidentiality, I cannot respond to any review on any site whether it is positive or negative. Please know that I take my commitment to confidentiality to you seriously. I do not engage on social networking sites.

PROFESSIONAL RECORDS

You should be aware that, pursuant to HIPAA, I keep Protected Health Information about you in a professional record I keep very brief records, noting only that you have been here, what interventions happened in session and the topics we discussed. We have transitioned to electronically stored records and administration processes using the professional tool, www.Therapyappointment.com.

PATIENT RIGHTS

HIPAA provides you with several new or expanded rights regarding your Clinical Record and disclosures of protected health information. These rights include requesting that I amend your record; requesting restrictions on what information from your Clinical Record is disclosed to others; requesting an accounting

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of most disclosures of protected health information that you have neither consented to nor authorized; determining the location to which protected information disclosures are sent; having any complaints you make about my policies and procedures recorded in your records; and the right to a paper copy of this Agreement and my privacy policies and procedures.

MINORS & PARENTS

Patients under 18 years of age who are not emancipated, and their parents, should be aware that the law may allow parents to examine their child's treatment records. However, if the treatment is for suicide prevention, chemical addiction or dependency, or sexual, physical or emotional abuse, the law provides that parents may not access their child's records. For children between 16 and 18, because privacy in psychotherapy is often crucial to successful progress, particularly with teenagers, I may request an agreement from the patient and his/her parents that the parents' consent to give up their access to their child's records. If they agree, during treatment, I will provide them only with general information about the progress of the child's treatment, and his/her attendance at scheduled sessions. Any other communication will require the child's authorization, unless I feel that the child is in danger or is a danger to someone else, in which case, I will notify the parents of my concern. Before giving parents any information, I will discuss the matter with the child, if possible, and do my best to handle any objections he/she may have.

PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

Services include psychological evaluations and/or cognitive-behavioral therapy for children, adolescents and adults. Therapy is a joint effort between the therapist and patient. Progress depends on many factors including motivation, effort, and other life circumstances such as interactions with family, friends, and other associates. Therapy often leads to better relationships, solutions to specific problems, and significant reductions in feelings of distress. On the other hand, there are potential negative effects, which include, but are not limited to, increased stress in relationships and increased emotional distress. Implications or potential negative effects of a particular therapeutic technique may be discussed at any time with your therapist.

LIMITATIONS OF SERVICES

I am unable to practice psychology across state lines, such as e-therapy, in accordance to my licensure in the state of Texas. If you or a loved one is in need of mental health care and are outside the borders of Texas, please contact a professional in the area to get the help needed.

There is no substitute for in-person connection during psychotherapy. Therefore, I respectfully ask that you do not request phone conferences but do your best to schedule an in-office appointment. If you need me to participate in a meeting with school administration, please coordinate with my office for an appointment.

My website includes a Resources page. Please refrain from using this as self-help therapy, diagnosis and/or treatment. It is provided as supplemental support and references.

APPOINTMENTS

If there is need to cancel or reschedule this appointment, I respectfully request **a minimum of 24 hours advance notification** to reallocate my time as deemed necessary. My voicemail system has a time and date stamp to record this notification. An infraction of this policy will result in a fee payable by the client prior to any future scheduled appointments.

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IN-PERSON and TELETHERAPY PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

Use of telecommunications technology reduces the need for persons to come into close contact with each other or to be in areas where exposure to COVID-19 may occur. However, teletherapy services may not always be adequate. In-person services are appropriate for the following reason(s):

- Initial consultation.
- Evaluation will require the administration of assessments which are not available nor can be administered remotely and the collection of data must be in person.
- There is not adequate technology or network services to participate in teletherapy.
- Psychologist-Patient mutual agreement for in-person therapy services.

In-person services are based on current conditions and guidelines. It is possible that a change to remote services will be necessary at some point based on consideration of health and safety issues, which will be communicated to you based on a careful weighing of the risks and applicable regulations. It is also important to consider that, although insurance reimbursement for teletherapy services may have been mandated during the COVID-19 pandemic, such mandates may no longer be in effect, and teletherapy may no longer be reimbursed by your insurance company.

In order for me to provide you with in-person services, the following protocols must be followed by patients/clients and providers: (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>)

- Social distancing requirements must be met, meaning that you must maintain a six-foot distance from others while in offices, our shared lobby space and other areas. Patients/Clients may wait in their vehicles until notified by my staff to enter into my office.
- Patients/clients and providers will be required to wear face coverings or masks while in the office. If you do not have a face covering, one will be provided to you.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided at the office entrance and must be used upon entering the office spaces.
- There will be no physical contact with others in the office. Only necessary exchange of documents will occur in order to meet the needs of the evaluation process (intake paperwork, exchange of assessment materials, etc.). Any receipts, financial statements, reports or original documents will be emailed or mailed as needed.
- You agree not to present for in-person services if you have a fever, shortness of breath, coughing, or any other symptoms associated with COVID-19 or if you have been exposed to another person who is showing signs of infection or has confirmed COVID-19 within the past two weeks. You agree to notify my office of cancellation of appointment as soon as possible to avoid late cancellation/no show fees. **If you are bringing a child or other dependent in for services, you agree to ensure that both you and your child/dependent follow all of these protocols.**

As COVID-19 regulations continue to evolve, I may become legally required at some point to disclose that you and I have been in contact, especially if either of us were to test positive or show signs of COVID-19 infection. If I am legally compelled to disclose information, I will inform you and will only provide the minimum necessary information (e.g., your name and the dates of our contact) required by law.

Despite our careful attention to sanitization, social distancing, and other protocols, there is still a chance that you will be exposed to COVID-19 in our office. If, at any point, you prefer to stop in-person services or to consider transitioning to remote services, please let me know.

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FEE SCHEDULE

\$175 Therapy and assessment are based on a 60 minute session, depending on the Insurance plan. For in-network, we bill the insurance company.

TBD Scheduled Psychological testing, scoring time, interpretation of tests and report preparation. (Varies: 6-14 units) For each hour of scheduled face-to-face time, one hour is billed for scoring and interpretation plus one hour for summary report preparation. Exceptions may occur based on the complexity of the evaluation. A pre-quote of these costs is reviewed prior to testing.

\$80 Fee for non-covered materials and testing protocols deemed necessary to the diagnostic evaluation process

\$50 Fee for letters, preauthorization request forms, form preparations, patient record copies, and reports prepared outside of scheduled appointments. This time allocation is not reimbursable by insurance plans.

\$30 Returned checks are subject to a \$30 fee.

\$100 **Fail to Show Fee** payable by the client. Each scheduled appointment time is appropriated to only one client; therefore, courtesy for my professional time and other clients is expected and appreciated. Fee will be automatically applied to the patient's account and no future appointments will be permitted until account has been satisfied. **If testing appointment is affected, fee will be \$200.**

\$75 **Late Cancellation Fee** within 24 hours of appointment, payable by the client. This fee is automatically applied to the client's account at the time of the missed appointment.

Any forgiveness of this policy is based on truly unavoidable issues, at the discretion of Dr. Wooten.

BILLING, PAYMENTS, AND INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT

Payments for each session are paid at the time of visit. We use Cayan merchant services to process payments made by credit/debit card, and for your convenience, we offer to keep the card number on record if you allow.

Assignment of insurance benefits accepted from: Blue Cross/Blue Shield PPO and Aetna PPO products. If I am an in-network provider, I will file insurance claims electronically via TherapyAppointment Claim System with your insurance carrier. A courtesy check of benefits is done before you come to first appointment. If the quote provided before services is contradictory to the claims processing, you will be responsible for the charges for services rendered. If considered an out-of-network provider, I will give you the necessary information to submit for any out-of-network benefits.

Collection policy: If your account has not been paid for more than 60 days, we will debit the card on file to resolve the outstanding balance on your account. As a last resort, we may need to involve a collection agency, which may require me to disclose otherwise confidential information. In most collection situations, the only information I release regarding a patient's treatment is his/her name, the nature of services provided, and the amount due.

Please print an additional copy for your records.

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CHILD AND FAMILY UPDATE

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete the following information about your child and family. If any questions do not apply to your child, simply write "DNA" (does not apply) in the space provided or leave the space blank. It is best if this form is completed by all parents or primary caretakers. This information will be helpful to your child's doctor or other professional to better understand your child and your family.

I. DESCRIBE WHAT PROMPTED YOUR CONTACT

II. BEHAVIORAL CHANGES TO REPORT

Check the items that describe your child:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Always on the go, has difficulty staying seated at school, church, meals, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Slow to walk.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Often doesn't seem to listen.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Delayed development.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hard to discipline.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Explosive temper, tantrums.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Argues excessively.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Destructive (breaks toys, furniture, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Socially withdrawn (prefers to be alone)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fights (adults or children).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Doesn't like self.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Overly sensitive/fearful.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Has run away.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seems unhappy/depressed.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Has breath-holding spells.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Overly dependent on parents or others.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Has difficulty keeping his/her attention (Concentration) on tasks at school or home.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lies excessively.
<input type="checkbox"/>	School reports child often disrupts class, speaks or acts without thinking.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stealing.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Speech unclear.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire-setting or playful with matches.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not talking.	<input type="checkbox"/>	History of physical/sexual abuse (if yes, circle which).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Developmental – Social - Self Help (indicate approximate age for following)

Has the child had any of the following?

	NO	YES	CURRENTLY?
Convulsions or Seizures			
Vision Problems			
Frequent ear infections			
Ear tubes			
Allergies (if yes, specify):			
Any regularly used medications and/or psychotropic, stimulants, ADHD, mood or anxiety medications, including OTC (if yes, specify and use additional paper if needed):			
Any unusual reaction or behavior after taking medicine or certain foods (if yes, specify):			
Was child ever hospitalized overnight?			
Concussions or head injuries			

III. FAMILY CHANGES TO REPORT

Have there been any changes in the family dynamic since your last visit to my office? (Briefly describe)

Mother: divorce and/or remarriage: YES NO If so, when? _____ Father: divorce and/or remarriage: YES NO If so, when? _____

Do parents/stepparents agree on discipline? YES NO
 Is discipline consistent? YES NO
 Has there been any sleep disruption recently? YES NO If YES, please describe:

Has there been any disruption in household recently? If YES, please describe:

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IV. SCHOOL UPDATE TO REPORT

What is your child's current grade level? _____

Has the child changed schools? YES NO If yes, what were the circumstances of the change?

Has your child needed to repeat a grade level? YES NO If yes, when: _____

In general, describe your child's performance since your last visit:

List any outstanding strengths or problems.

Has your child ever received special education services? If so, what grades?

Does your child currently have an IEP from his/her school? YES NO

Does your child currently have a 504 Plan at school? YES NO

If applicable, describe the main focus of your child's IEP or 504 Plan and note any accommodations your child is currently receiving.

Describe any problems your child may have in school with learning:

Describe any problems your child may have with homework (e.g. forgets, does not return it to school, etc.)

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ADULT PATIENT INFORMATION

(only complete if 18 years and older)

Name of Patient: _____ Date: _____

Please describe the problem and its onset for which you are seeking help.

How would you describe the severity of the effects of the problem on you?

A Little Bit Moderately Quite Extremely

Please describe any prior counseling, therapy, or evaluation services received, including approximate date of service.

Please list any medications you are presently taking and the amounts prescribed. Also, list any nonprescription medicine regularly taken.

Please identify which of the following you use and the frequency and quantity.

	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Nicotine	No/Yes	
Caffeine	No/Yes	
Alcohol	No/Yes	
Other Drugs	No/Yes	

Please describe any medical conditions for which you are being treated.

Signature: _____ Date: _____