

Parent/Legal Guardian Questionnaire (Client ages 17 and under)

To be completed by the parent or legal guardian requesting services for a minor.

This, as well as other communications with your therapist, will be kept confidential to the full extent of Georgia law.

Identifying Information:

Date: _____

Name of Child: _____ DOB: _____ Age: _____

Home Address: _____
City, State, Zip

Home Phone: _____

May we leave a message?

Mother's Work Phone: _____

Mother's Cell Phone: _____

Can Mother be contacted at work? Y * N

Can Mother be contacted via cell phone? Y * N

Father's Work Phone: _____

Father's Cell Phone: _____

Can Father be contacted at work? Y * N

Can Father be contacted via cell phone? Y * N

Mother's Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

Father's Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

If Divorced, for how long: _____

Legal Guardian: _____ Relationship: _____

Referred by: _____

Address, if known: _____

May we mail a thank you letter to your referral source? _____

Billing Information:

Party Responsible for Payment: _____

Relation to Child: _____

Family Information:

	Name	Age	Living with You?
Siblings	_____	_____	Y or N _____
	_____	_____	Y or N _____
	_____	_____	Y or N _____
	_____	_____	Y or N _____
Parents	_____	_____	Y or N _____
	_____	_____	Y or N _____
Other Family	_____	_____	Y or N _____
	_____	_____	Y or N _____
	_____	_____	Y or N _____
	_____	_____	Y or N _____

Others living in home: _____

Religious affiliation: _____ Active _____ Inactive _____

How significant is religion to your child's everyday life?

Medical History:

List sicknesses, operations and injuries. Indicate age when occurred and describe how severe.

Describe any physical problems your child or members of your household have which require medication or physical care:

List any medications your child takes – prescription or over the counter:

Does your child have any allergies or adverse reactions to medication?

Primary Physician or other health care provider:

Office address and telephone: _____

Academic/School Information

Name of School: _____ Grade: _____

Has child ever repeated a grade? _____
If so, when? _____

How does the child get along at school? _____

Describe difficulties in learning at school: _____

Have other family members had learning difficulties?

Problem Areas: In the following list, place a check mark next to each item which identifies an area of concern to you. Place two checks by those items which are most important.

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anger/Temper | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depression | <input type="checkbox"/> Thoughts of Suicide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational/School Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Weight loss or gain |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Problems/Fighting with siblings | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of Alcohol |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fearfulness/Phobias | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of Drugs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insecure/Timid/Lack of Self Confidence | <input type="checkbox"/> Work |

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marital Problems/Conflicts between parents,
Divorce | <input type="checkbox"/> Worry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Problems with accepting discipline | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Problems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Problems in relationships with other children | <input type="checkbox"/> Traumatic Stress |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religious/Spiritual Concerns | <input type="checkbox"/> Stress |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unhappy most of the time | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ | |
| _____ | |

Why did you decide to seek counseling for your child at this time?

What do you think therapy is all about?

How long do you expect your therapy to last?

Has your child ever received counseling before? If so, when, why, and with whom?

What goals do you hope for your child to accomplish by participating in therapy?

In the past, has your child ever been the victim of or witnessed any type of traumatic event or incident?

If yes, please explain:

Is there anything else which you believe or feel might be important for your counselor to know about your child?

Describe any method of discipline used and how the child reacts to such discipline:

Authorization for treatment:

I declare that I am the custodial parent or legal guardian of the child described in this document and that I have the legal authority to bring him or her for treatment.

I authorize treatment to be administered by Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

CLIENT NAME: _____ Age: _____

Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc.
Statement of Understanding
Client's Rights and Responsibilities

TO BE SIGNED BY THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY FOR THIS CLIENT

Program Description: Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. is staffed by trained and experienced psychotherapists. Our staff's goal is to provide quality, caring and professional services to our clients and their family, regardless of the client's race, ethnic origin, religion, creed, gender, age disability status, or sexual orientation.

CLIENT RIGHTS

Confidentiality: Everything you say to your therapist is confidential and cannot be shared with anyone outside this office without your permission. Your therapist cannot release any information about you without a signed *consent for release of information*, except in emergencies or when there is a court order, determination or law requiring the information be released. By my signature below, I agree not to hold Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. liable for such disclosure.

Duty to Warn: Information about dangerous behaviors, including serious thoughts of hurting yourself or another person, as well as information about possible child abuse, is not confidential and will be reported by your therapist to the appropriate authorities to keep you and other people safe. Also, if you are referred to counseling by a court order, information about your treatment is not confidential and can be released to the Court without your consent.

After Hour Emergencies: Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. **DOES NOT** provide 24-hour coverage for client emergencies. If a life-threatening emergency should arise after hours, you should call 911 or travel to the nearest emergency room. If you need to talk to a counselor urgently but the need is not life threatening, you may call the Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. main number (404-915-7106).

Appointments: You are responsible for confirming and rescheduling your next appointment date and time.

48-HR Cancellation Policy: 48-hour notice is required for cancellations, since your therapist reserves time for you when you schedule an appointment. If you do not cancel **48 hours in advance**, you will be charged a **\$100.00 late cancellation fee**. **NOTE:** You may leave a message on the Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. main number (404-915-7106) during or after regular business hours and on weekends to cancel an appointment. If your therapist cancels the appointment with less than 48-hour notice, your account will be credited \$75.00. We believe it should go both ways because your time is valuable too!

Missed Appointment Charge: You will be charged a **\$100.00** for a missed appointment.

Fee Payment: You are responsible for paying your session fee unless other payment arrangements have been made with your therapist. Billed balances are due upon request for payment.

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Collection of Delinquent Accounts: A delinquent balance will be cause for your account to be classified as a bad debt and forwarded to a collection or legal agency for immediate action. Any charges incurred by Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. for the collection of the delinquent balance will be your responsibility. In the case of a Court Order, determination, or law requiring the account information be released, my signature below states that I agree not to hold Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. liable for such disclosure.

Returned Check Charges: Your account will be charged a **\$75 returned check fee** for NSF checks. This fee and the outstanding balance will be due upon request.

Timely Notification of Changes: You are responsible for notifying our office of any change in your address, telephone number, employment and insurance carrier information prior to your next appointment.

My signature below indicates that I have been informed of my rights and responsibilities, and that I understand this information. I understand that it is my sole responsibility to request clarification or additional information concerning my rights and responsibilities.

Signature of Client / Parent / Legal Guardian / Other

Date

Address: _____

State: _____ *ZIP:* _____ *Tel:* _____

Employer: _____ *Tel:* _____

**Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc.
SELF-PAYMENT AGREEMENT**

Responsible Party Information:

I, _____
PRINT FULL NAME

am the responsible party for:

PRINT CLIENT NAME

Identifying Information:

Date: _____

Name: _____ DOB: _____ Age: _____

Home Address: _____
City, State, Zip

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

A payment of **\$100.00** will be made **each visit** before services are rendered. Initial here to acknowledge you agree_____.

I am aware that payments may be rendered via Cash or Check. I will be charged a fee of **\$75.00 for NSF checks**. This fee and the past due amount is due upon request for payment. Initial here to acknowledge you agree_____.

48-Hour Cancellation Policy: 48-hour notice is required. If I do not cancel 48 hours in advance, I will be charged a **\$100.00 late cancellation fee**. Charges are due upon request for payment. Initial here to acknowledge you agree_____.

Missed Appointment Charge: I will be charged a **\$100.00 fee for a Missed Appointment**. I am responsible for notifying Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. Charges are due upon request for payment. Initial here to acknowledge you agree_____.

I am aware that I am responsible for notifying Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. of any changes in my mailing address, telephone numbers and employment. Initial here to acknowledge you agree_____.

I am aware that in the event of default of payment on this account, my account may be turned over to an outside collection agency or legal representative for collection. Any additional costs incurred by Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. to collect the outstanding balance will become my responsibility. Initial here to acknowledge you agree_____.

My signature below indicates that I have been informed of my rights and responsibilities, and that I understand this information.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Effective 01/01/2006

Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. Policies and Practices to Protect the Privacy of Your Health Information

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW PSYCHOLOGICAL AND MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

I. Uses and Disclosures for Treatment, Payment, and Health Care Operations

I may use or disclose your protected health information (PHI), for treatment, payment, and health care operations purposes with your consent. To help clarify these terms, here are some definitions:

- “PHI” refers to information in your health record that could identify you.
- “Treatment, Payment and Health Care Operations”
 - Treatment is when I provide, coordinate or manage your health care and other services related to your health care. An example of treatment would be when I consult with another health care provider, such as your family physician or another psychologist.
 - Payment is when I obtain reimbursement for your healthcare. Examples of payment are when I disclose your PHI to your health insurer to obtain reimbursement for your health care or to determine eligibility or coverage.
 - Health Care Operations are activities that relate to the performance and operation of my practice. Examples of health care operations are quality assessment and improvement activities, business-related matters such as audits and administrative services, and case management and care coordination.
- “Use” applies only to activities within my [office, clinic, practice group, etc.] such as sharing, employing, applying, utilizing, examining, and analyzing information that identifies you.
- “Disclosure” applies to activities outside of my [office, clinic, practice group, etc.], such as releasing, transferring, or providing access to information about you to other parties.

II. Uses and Disclosures Requiring Authorization

I may use or disclose PHI for purposes outside of treatment, payment, or health care operations when your appropriate authorization is obtained. An “authorization” is written permission above and beyond the general consent that permits only specific disclosures. In those instances when I am asked for information for purposes outside of treatment, payment or health care operations, I will obtain an authorization from you before releasing this information. I will also need to obtain an authorization before releasing your Psychotherapy Notes. “Psychotherapy Notes” are notes I have made about our conversation during a private, group, joint, or family counseling session, which I have kept separate from the rest of your medical record. These notes are given a greater degree of protection than PHI.

You may revoke all such authorizations (of PHI or Psychotherapy Notes) at any time, provided each revocation is in writing. You may not revoke an authorization to the extent that (1) I have relied on that authorization; or (2) if the authorization was obtained as a condition of obtaining insurance coverage, law provides the insurer the right to contest the claim under the policy.

III. Uses and Disclosures with Neither Consent nor Authorization

I may use or disclose PHI without your consent or authorization in the following circumstances:

- *Child Abuse* – If I have reasonable cause to believe that a child has been abused, I must report that belief to the appropriate authority.
- *Adult and Domestic Abuse* – If I have reasonable cause to believe that a disabled adult or elder person has had a physical injury or injuries inflicted upon such disabled adult or elder person, other than by accidental means, or has been neglected or exploited, I must report that belief to the appropriate authority.
- *Health Oversight Activities* – If I am the subject of an inquiry by the Georgia Composite Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, I may be required to disclose protected health information regarding you in proceedings before the Board.
- *Judicial and Administrative Proceedings* – If you are involved in a court proceeding and a request is made about the professional services I provided you or the records thereof, such information is privileged under state law, and I will not release information without your written consent or a court order. The privilege does not apply when you are being evaluated for a third party or where the evaluation is court ordered. You will be informed in advance if this is the case.

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- *Serious Threat to Health or Safety* – If I determine, or pursuant to the standards of my profession should determine, that you present a serious danger of violence to yourself or another, I may disclose information in order to provide protection against such danger for you or the intended victim.
- *Worker's Compensation* – I may disclose protected health information regarding you as authorized by and to the extent necessary to comply with laws relating to worker's compensation or other similar programs, established by law, that provide benefits for work-related injuries or illness without regard to fault.

IV. Patient's Rights and Therapist's Duties

Patient's Rights:

- *Right to Request Restrictions* – You have the right to request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures of protected health information. However, I am not required to agree to a restriction you request.
- *Right to Receive Confidential Communications by Alternative Means and at Alternative Locations* – You have the right to request and receive confidential communications of PHI by alternative means and at alternative locations. (For example, you may not want a family member to know that you are seeing me. On your request, I will send your bills to another address.)
- *Right to Inspect and Copy* – You have the right to inspect or obtain a copy (or both) of PHI in my mental health and billing records used to make decisions about you for as long as the PHI is maintained in the record. I may deny your access to PHI under certain circumstances, but in some cases you may have this decision reviewed. On your request, I will discuss with you the details of the request and denial process.
- *Right to Amend* – You have the right to request an amendment of PHI for as long as the PHI is maintained in the record. I may deny your request. On your request, I will discuss with you the details of the amendment process.
- *Right to an Accounting* – You generally have the right to receive an accounting of disclosures of PHI. On your request, I will discuss with you the details of the accounting process.
- *Right to a Paper Copy* – You have the right to obtain a paper copy of the notice from me upon request, even if you have agreed to receive the notice electronically.

Therapist's Duties:

- I am required by law to maintain the privacy of PHI and to provide you with a notice of my legal duties and privacy practices with respect to PHI.
- I reserve the right to change the privacy policies and practices described in this notice. Unless I notify you of such changes, however, I am required to abide by the terms currently in effect.
- If I revise my policies and procedures, I will provide you with a revised notice via U.S. regular mail.

V. Questions and Complaints

If you have questions about this notice, disagree with a decision I make about access to your records, or have other concerns about your privacy rights, you may contact John H. Pruett, Jr., Compliance Officer, at 770-656-9711.

If you believe that your privacy rights have been violated and wish to file a complaint with *me/my* office, you may send your written complaint to the attention of your therapist's name c/o John H. Pruett, Jr., Compliance Officer at Georgia Professional Counseling Center, Inc. at 602 Abbey Court, Alpharetta, GA 30004

You may also send a written complaint to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The person listed above can provide you with the appropriate address upon request.

You have specific rights under the Privacy Rule. I will not retaliate against you for exercising your right to file a complaint.

VI. Effective Date, Restrictions, and Changes to Privacy Policy

This notice will go into effect on January 1st, 2006.

I reserve the right to change the terms of this notice and to make the new notice provisions effective for all PHI that I maintain. I will provide you with a revised notice by U.S. Regular Mail.

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Print Client Name: _____

Signature
Patient (18 Years and older) / Legal Guardian

Date

Print Name

_____ I would like a copy. _____ I decline a copy of this document.

Child and Adolescent Symptoms and Behavior Checklist

	Symptoms and behaviors	Ages 0-2	Ages 3-5	Ages 6-8	Ages 9-11	Ages 12-13	Ages 14-16	Ages 17-19
1	Bedwetting							
2	Night Terrors							
3	Excessive worry about harm befalling parents							
4	Excessive distress when separated from family							
5	Temper Tantrums							
6	Extreme clingy behavior							
7	Repeated complaints of physical symptoms							
8	Has marked changes in appetite							
9	Often has cravings for carbohydrates or sweets							
10	Periods of extreme sadness							
11	Elevated or irritable mood > 1hr/day							
12	Elevated or irritable mood > 6 hrs/day							
13	Elevated or irritable mood > 2 days							
14	Depressed Mood > 1 hr/day							
15	Depressed Mood > 6 hrs/day							
16	Depressed mood 1-2 days in duration							
17	Depressed mood > 2 days in duration							
18	Has suicidal thought often							

19	Has cut self with sharp instrument							
20	Has made suicide attempt							
21	Has difficulty getting to sleep at night							
22	Often awakens in the middle of the night							
23	Frequently oversleeps							
24	Has decreased need for sleep							
25	At times has very fast speech							
26	Thoughts race/has many ideas at once							
27	Has wide swings in mood							
28	Often does not seem to listen when spoken to							
29	Often takes excessive risks							
30	Is easily distracted by extraneous stimuli							
31	Has periods of inflated self-esteem or grandiosity							
32	Has engaged in unrestrained buying sprees							
33	Often blurts out answers to questions							
34	Has difficulty engaging in playful activities							
35	As a newborn, extremely irritable and difficult to settle							
36	Is extremely sensitive to sensory stimuli							

37	Often has difficulty organizing tasks							
38	Often loses things necessary for tasks							
39	Often is reluctant to engage in tasks							
40	Often fidgets with hands or feet							
41	Often leaves seat in classroom							
42	Often has difficulty awaiting turn							
43	Often interrupts or intrudes on others							
44	Demonstrates an inability to concentrate at school							
45	Frequently attempts to avoid school							
46	Illicit drug use							
47	Alcohol use							
48	Migraine headaches							
49	Speech difficulties (specify)							
50	Panic symptoms—marked anxiety attacks							
51	Excessive anxiety or worry							
52	Anxiety causes impairment in social functioning							
53	Fear of closed spaces							
54	Fear of animals							
55	Fear of heights							
56	Fear of crowded places							
57	Hears voices							

58	Paranoid thinking							
59	Bizarre Behavior (specify)							
60	Recurrent anxiety-producing thoughts or impulses							
61	Repetitive mental acts (counting, repeating words silently)							
62	Frequent and repetitive checking behavior							
63	Frequent and repetitive hand washing							
64	Tics: Recurrent stereotyped movements or vocalizations							
65	Frequently lies							
66	Deliberately set fires							
67	Is frequently mischievous							
68	Often bullies, threatens, or intimidates others							
69	Often initiates physical fights							
70	Has deliberately destroyed other's property							
71	Has broken into someone's house							
72	Often lies to obtain goods or favors							
73	Often stays out at night against curfew							
74	Has run away from home overnight at least twice							

75	Is often truant from school							
76	Often loses temper							
77	Often defies or refuses to comply with rules							
78	Often argues with adults							
79	Often blames others for his or her mistakes							
80	Is often touchy or easily annoyed by others							
81	Is often angry and resentful							
82	Has fear of social or performance situations							
83	Increased sexual interest							
84	Increased sexual behavior							
85	Fascination with death and gore							