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AGREEMENT OF INFORMED CONSENT

Please Print Full Name: _____

I. Clinical Services Offered

Comprehensive assessment and treatment of adults and adolescents 16 or older, and who present with a wide range of psychological and emotional issues. Services range from individual psychotherapy/psycho-education, treatment planning and homework/interventions plus general clinical supervision and supervision of CRPO registrants both privately and in agency, EMDR treatments, EMDR consultations/supervision towards basic training and consultancy certification, group therapy and family therapy. Couples therapy is not offered directly unless its part of an individual treatment plan necessary to achieve individual goals that otherwise can't be realized without such intervention.

II. Assurance of Confidentiality

All psychotherapeutic services constitute a professional relationship and is bound by client-therapist privilege. All efforts are made to protect the client and avoid undue invasion of privacy. All information obtained or disclosed in an assessment or therapy is strictly confidential and will not be revealed to any other persons without the client's authorized consent or the consent obtained by the client's legal representative except in those unusual circumstances in which not doing so would result in clear danger to the client or to others, or unless mandated by a court order or law. All staff or associates of Brown Psychotherapy & Associates are supervised by Demian Brown MSW, RSW in the event that the client wishes to speak to Demian Brown about any staff's professional conduct, the client may contact him directly at 647-298-8411 on his personal line. Otherwise, staff work autonomously in their therapeutic capacities and are regarded as a respected professional who is entrusted to provide clients with the best psychological care.

III. Fees

Fees for professional services are charged based on feasibility to pay for agreed upon treatment goals/plan, and level of insurance coverage which is individually arranged with each client. There is no OHIP coverage for psychotherapeutic services in Ontario, only for medical conditions. Therefore, you will need to carefully check with your insurance provider to determine the type, degree, amount, and duration of psychological coverage which must be for MSW Social Worker or psychotherapist only as psychologists are not covered under my practice. You are responsible for knowing coverage you have under your plan and the specific procedures involved. Payment for services occurs twice a month. Invoices are issued within 24hr of the billing date by email. Credit card authorization form will be given to you to resubmit for our confidential files unless arranged differently as I have herein explicated and a receipt will be issued when payment is received twice monthly. If payment is made via credit card, the client's card number and information will be held on file and used to bill via the telephone (Chase Paymentech). Clients assume a \$25.00 nuisance fee associated with any canceled NSF cheques. In the event that reports or letters to third parties or testimony is requested in a court of law by way of court order, the client is responsible to pay the hourly rate for all aspects of professional time. I do not write letters of support for clients who happen to have outstanding charges for criminal court nor do I write supportive letters for clients looking for advocacy for family law matters such as access/custody. In order to maximize the effectiveness of therapy, clients should not cancel their appointment times except in the case of an emergency. Session fees will be charged for missed or canceled appointments less than 24 hours in advance. If a client customarily pays by credit card, their account will be charged for no shows after the 3rd no show the card will be charged for each subsequently or late cancelations and a receipt will be issued to them at their next appointment. I offer some flexibility during the current pandemic. Please note I will be returning to live practice in my Oakville office but offering remote counselling too.

V. Consent

I have read and understood the information described above and hereby request to receive clinical services at the mutually agreed upon rate where all rates are flat rates with or without insurance sliding scale is not offered. Acknowledgment that psychotherapy isn't always ongoing and breaks in service are to be expected periodically but not in anyway that would interfere with treatment goals such as after goal attainment or during periods of completing the treatment plan generated as negotiated with Demian Brown or his Associates. Demian Brown's fees for service are on his website and outlined in the credit card authorization form found on our website along with this form.

Client's/Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of witness: _____ Date: _____