

Informed Consent Regarding Electronic Communication

Use of email and text messages: The use of email and text message has a number of risks that you should consider. These risks include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Emails and texts can be circulated, forwarded, stored electronically and on paper, and broadcast to unintended recipients.
- b. Senders can easily misaddress an email or text and send the information to an undesired recipient.
- c. Backup copies of emails and texts may exist even after the sender and/or the recipient has deleted his or her copy.
- d. Employers and on-line services have a right to inspect emails and texts sent through their company systems.
- e. Emails and texts can be intercepted, altered, forwarded or used without authorization or detection.
- f. Emails and texts can be used as evidence in court.
- g. Email and text messaging may not be secure, and therefore it is possible that a third party may breach the confidentiality of such communications.

Withdrawal of consent: I understand that I may revoke this consent at any time by so advising Laura M. Renfro, LMFT, LLC in writing. My revocation of consent will not affect my ability to obtain future health care nor will it cause the loss of any benefits to which I am otherwise entitled.

Client Acknowledgement and Agreement: I acknowledge that I have read and fully understand this consent form. I understand the risks associated with the use of email and text messaging as a form of communication between Laura M. Renfro, LMFT, LLC and me, and consent to the conditions and instructions outlined.

Client Name: _____

Client Signature: _____

Date: _____