

In Person and Telemental Health Counseling Consent & Information Form

Please Read, Complete and Sign 1 Form For Each Person:

Once all 3 pages are completed, please either scan or photocopy and email these forms to **Victoria Baum, LCPC, LMHC, BC-TMH, at:** victoria@victoriabaum.com

As a client of **Victoria Baum's**, I understand that Telemental Health Counseling is provided utilizing technology and that there may be problems with internet connectivity, which is neither Victoria Baum's fault nor mine. Internet availability may be limited or disrupted by things such as server maintenance, upgrades, or other problems (such as software or hardware malfunction) or natural or man-made disasters (such as terrorist acts, Internet viruses, and so forth). These types of problems are beyond the control of Victoria Baum and me (client). If something like this were to occur, any scheduled appointments would be rescheduled.

I understand that I must be at least 18 years of age to consent to Telemental Health Counseling. If not at least 18 years old, a parent or legal guardian must contact Victoria Baum and provide written consent for services. * Face to Face Counseling age of consent is 13 years old.

* As a client of **Victoria Baum, LCPC, LMHC, BC-TMH**, I declare that she may be legally required to violate confidentiality and make appropriate legal notifications if she reasonably believes I am: engaged in child or elder abuse or neglect, if I intend to harm myself or anyone else.

* All of this is discussed in the first session, (or prior) if you would like more information.

I realize that I will be charged a set, pre-arranged fee for services rendered by **Victoria Baum, LCPC, LMHC, BC-TMH**. The fee is due at the time of service. *In the event I cancel a session, with less than 24-hour notice, I understand I will be charged that fee. _____ Initials

I recognize that the process of counseling can cause emotional discomfort at times, (as difficult issues may be addressed). Victoria Baum will provide suggestions on how best to handle, however, she cannot guarantee issue resolution or assure "success" of counseling, either explicitly or implied.

As a client **Victoria Baum's**, I can end services at any time, for any reason, (with 24-hour notice), without explanation. However, a call or email, explaining your decision to end services may be quite beneficial for you, as well as, greatly appreciated by Victoria Baum.

Please briefly describe the issue(s) that you would like to address in counseling:

Are you currently receiving treatment from another mental health professional? Yes or No
If yes, please provide their name and further details:

In the past, have you ever been seen by a mental health professional? Yes or No
If yes, for what and what was the outcome:

Are you currently taking any medication(s)? (e.g. anti-depressants, anti-anxiety, other)?
If so, please name here:

Have you ever taken such medication(s) in the past?
If so, please name here:

Is there anything more that you would like to share with me, prior to our 1st session?