INFORMED CONSENT FOR TREATMENT

Next Chapter Counseling, LLC Deborah S. Wood, LPC, RN, NCC

Confidentiality

Deborah S. Wood, Licensed Professional Counselor with Next Chapter Counseling, LLC, understands and respects your need for and right to privacy. Confidential information will only be released to others with your written permission unless one or more of the following exceptions apply:

- Suspected child abuse or neglect
- Suspected abuse or neglect of an elderly or incapacitated adult
- Client is thought to be an immediate threat to self or others
- Court subpoena
- Client is a health care provider and his/her condition places the public at risk
- Misconduct by a health care provider

Other Matters Related to Confidentiality:

- It may occasionally be helpful or necessary to consult about a client with another professional. In these consultations, every effort is made to avoid revealing the identity of the patient. The consultant is, of course, also legally bound to maintain confidentiality.
- If insurance is being utilized, information about you and your treatment may be shared in order to obtain authorization and reimbursement for services.
- If the client is under eighteen years of age, please be aware that while the specific content of therapy is confidential, parents have a right to general information on the progress of treatment and have legal access to the record.
- I am aware of scheduling policies; fees to be charged; policies regarding missed appointments; and if applicable, matters related to insurance.
- I acknowledge that I have been given the Next Chapter Counseling Notice of Privacy Practices.

I have read and fully understand the above and give consent for treatment.	
Signature	 Date