

# Desired Outcomes

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## CONSENT TO TREAT A CHILD / ADOLESCENT

### Part I:

In order for me to treat a minor child (under 18 years of age), I must have the written consent of the child's parent(s) or legal guardian(s). Please indicate your consent for me to treat your child by signing the following statement:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, state that I have the legal rights to authorize Kimberley Pollock, LPCC to provide mental health services to \_\_\_\_\_ (name of child), date of birth (DOB) \_\_\_\_\_ and do herewith authorize said services.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Part II:

As a rule, parents or legal guardians have a right to complete access to all information concerning the adolescent or child involved in therapy with me. However, my experience suggests that in order for many child and/or adolescent clients to feel comfortable in therapy, it is beneficial to offer them the opportunity to talk with the therapist and to know that what they tell the therapist will not get back to their parents or legal guardians. The exception to this is in the cases of imminent danger to the client or to others, or where the therapist considers the information to be so serious that the parents' or legal guardians' ultimate responsibility for the client's welfare dictates that the parents or legal guardians be kept informed.

I ask that you consider this issue in the therapy with your child. If you are willing to agree to this informal waiver of your right to full disclosure, I ask that you do the following:

- Indicate your agreement by signing the form below.
- Tell your child that you have agreed to allow him/her to talk with me in a spirit of privacy, and that you will not insist that I relate all that your child tells me back to you.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

❖ *If there has been a divorce, and you are the custodial parent or guardian, please provide me with a copy of the custody papers. Thank you.* ❖