
Significant family and medical and mental health history

CONFIDENTIALITY AND MANDATED REPORTING

PLEASE READ

Information revealed in this office will be kept strictly confidential within certain limits.

If you want me to submit your insurance claims, I must provide your psychiatric diagnosis to your insurance company. If you have any questions about how your personal information is protected by the insurance company, I suggest you check with your insurance carrier.

There are certain situations in which mental health professionals are required by law to report personal information. Examples are: when a patient threatens grave bodily harm or death to him/herself or to another person; when there is reason to suspect that a child has been physically or sexually abused; or when a court of law issues a legitimate order to produce records. In such circumstances, it is not necessary to obtain the patient's permission to divulge personal information to the appropriate agency.

Mandated reporting is only rarely required, however, I want you to be aware of the legal limits of confidentiality and privileged communication.

I have read the above and understand the rules regarding confidentiality.

Patient _____

Date _____