

# CLIENT INTAKE FORM

Date		
Name	Age  Date of Birth  Preferred Language	
Phone Number		
Email		
Home Address		
Emergency contact person:	Name	
Phone Number	Relationship	
How did you learn about us?		
Have you seen or are you currently seeing a psychia	atrist, therapist or counsellor? Yes No	
If yes, name of Counsellor/Agency		
Reason		
Are you on any medication? Yes No		
If yes, which ones?		
How Can We Help? What is your main reason for	seeking counselling?	
What do you hope to achieve through counselling?		
Are you currently experiencing a crisis? Yes  If yes, please describe the nature of the crisis (eg. su		

Marriage	Finances	Faith
Divorce/Separation	Self-Esteem	Church/Ministry
Pre-Marital	Eating Disorder	Intimacy
Emotional changes	Addiction	Parenting
Family	Grief/Loss	Trauma/PTSD
Avoidance/Isolation	Depression	Self Harm
Stress	Fear/Anxiety	Anger
Work/Career	Acute pain	Others, please specify
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Thank you for completing the intake form. A counsellor will contact you and this will be reviewed with you during your first counselling session.



# INFORMED CONSENT

Please read this important information about our services and policies carefully.

Eden Life Centre provides professional and non-professional counselling services to individuals, families and the community at large.

Our goal in providing counselling services is to help you deal with the challenges of life in a way that will improve your personal well-being, relationships, self-image and spiritual growth. Due to the challenging nature of working with one's pain, it is important to note that healing work can be painful and it is normal to feel discomfort before improvement. Counselling is a vulnerable process and requires commitment and cooperation. Your counsellor will never work harder on your healing than you do.

#### **CONFIDENTIALITY:**

Confidentiality is a primary value in the counselling process, and all information discussed in sessions is treated with the utmost privacy. Information will only be released under certain circumstances:

- 1. The client signs a written release indicating consent to release agreed upon information for the purpose of referral to another counsellor or professional.
- 2. The client expresses serious intent to physically harm themselves or someone else. Counsellors may be required to take protective actions such as notifying the potential victim or the police in the instance they are threatening bodily harm to another. If the person threatens to harm himself/herself, the counsellor may be obligated to seek hospitalisation, contact family members or others who can assist with providing protection.
- 3. There is reasonable suspicion of abuse against a minor, elderly person or dependent adult. The counsellor is legally required to report abuse to the appropriate authorities.
- 4. Counsellors may present cases at supervision groups in order to enhance their skills and knowledge. Any personal information and identifying details are withheld in order to protect confidentiality.

If you have any concerns regarding confidentiality matters, feel free to ask your counsellor.

#### **FEES:**

Eden Life Centre believes that everyone should have access to emotional and mental health support and in order to ensure inclusive access, the first 2 sessions with a counsellor will be free of charge. The counsellor and client will assess whether or not more sessions are required and, thereafter, a donation will be required for any additional sessions.

Should you like to give a donation for all sessions, despite your right to 2 pro bono sessions, you may do so. All funds received contribute toward making the services provided by Eden Life Centre possible.

### **SCHEDULING AND CANCELLATIONS:**

Scheduled counselling sessions are a commitment both the client and the counsellor honour. Sessions are scheduled for 50-60 minutes. Please be respectful of the scheduled time and if you feel you will require more time, please negotiate with the counsellor prior to the session.

If you need to cancel your appointment, please do so at least 24 hours before the time. If you cancel an appointment with less notice, there may be a penalty fee required before another session may be scheduled, or you may forfeit a pro bono session. In the case of an emergency, exceptions may be made.

#### **WORK AGREEMENT:**

As a client, you agree to be an active and committed participant in your counselling process. Progress is highly dependent on your willingness to be open, cooperative, to complete any homework assignments given or implement any agreed upon behaviours.

Please note that your counsellor may refer you to another counsellor or broaden your network of support through additional referrals to professionals who can better meet your needs. Any changes or referrals will be discussed and be considered in your best interest.

If you read the above carefully and agree to receive counselling through Eden Life Centre, please sign below.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

I have read the above material and understand the conditions regarding confidentiality of information I may provide during counselling and the limits of that confidentiality. I understand that the results of counselling vary from person to person and that achieving a positive outcome depends upon my efforts as well as those of my counsellor. I give my informed consent to receive counselling services.

Client Name (please print):	<del></del>
Client Signature:	Date:
Counsellor Signature:	Date: