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INFORMED CONSENT FOR TELEHEALTH SERVICES

I understand that telehealth is the use of electronic information and communication technologies by a health care provider to deliver services to an individual when he/she is located at a different site than the provider; and hereby give consent to the counselors of Behavioral & Counseling Services to provide health care services to me via telehealth.

My health care provider has explained to me how the HIPPA compliant video conferencing technology will be used during telehealth services. I understand that this counseling session will not be the same as a direct client/health care provider visit due to the fact that I will not be in the same room as my health care provider.

I understand that there are potential risks to this technology, including interruptions, unauthorized access and technical difficulties. I understand that my health care provider(s) or myself can discontinue the telemedicine visit if it is felt that the videoconferencing connections are not adequate for the situation.

I understand that the laws that protect privacy and the confidentiality of medical information also apply to telehealth. As always, your insurance carrier will have access to your medical records for quality review/audit. I understand that I will be responsible for any copayments or coinsurances that apply to my telehealth visit and agree to pay in full at the beginning of the session.

I understand that the paperwork I signed with Behavioral & Counseling Services, including initial intake paperwork, HIPPA and privacy policy, signed release of information, and rates/fees apply to telehealth services. I understand that I have the right to withhold or withdraw my consent to the use of telehealth in the course of my care at any time, without affecting my right to future care or treatment. I may revoke my consent orally or in writing at any time by contacting my health care provider or Behavioral & Counseling Services at 224-256-2607 or admin@bcs4you.com. As long as this consent is in force (has not been revoked) Behavioral & Counseling Services may provide health care services to me via telehealth without the need for me to sign another consent form.

My signature below indicates that I understand, agree with, acknowledge, accept, and will abide by all of the statements and policies above. All of my questions about telehealth and the statements above have been answered. I provide my voluntary and informed consent to participate in and/or have my dependent named below participate in telehealth services.

Client Name (Printed) _____

Client Signature (if 18 or older) _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____