



## COVID-19 Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability

Due to the outbreak of the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), Reach Counseling is doing everything we can to protect you, our clients, our community and our staff. To this extent, Reach Counseling will be following the Center of Disease Control (CDC) and the Utah Department of Health guidelines with regard to social distancing practices and sanitation. We ask that our employees and our clients disclose any symptoms of COVID-19 listed below and continue to implement these sanitation and disinfection procedures.

### **SYMPTOMS of COVID-19 are as follows:**

- Fever or Chills
- Fatigue
- Cough
- Difficulty Breathing or Shortness of Breath
- Muscle or Body Aches
- Headache
- New Loss of Taste or Smell
- Sore Throat
- Congestion or Runny Nose
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Diarrhea

### **I AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:**

- I will inform Reach Counseling if I or any members of my household have **experienced any of the symptoms listed above within the last 14 days.**
- I will inform Reach Counseling if I or any members of my household have **traveled internationally or outside Utah** in the last 14 days.
- I will inform Reach Counseling if I or any members of my household believe we have been **exposed to someone with a suspected and/or confirmed case** of the COVID-19 virus.
- I will inform Reach Counseling if I or any members of my household have **tested positive with COVID-19** within the last 30 days.
- If there are any occurrences of the above items, Reach Counseling may either offer teletherapy services or cancel my appointment (cancellation fees will be waived for the above instances).
- I understand that **teletherapy options** are available and that Reach Counseling will check insurance benefits on my behalf.
- I understand that my insurance may terminate or deny coverage for teletherapy and that insurance companies do not guarantee payment for services. In this case, I understand that I will be responsible for payment at the rate of \$80 for general outpatient sessions.

Reach Counseling is following these enhanced procedures to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19):

- All waiting areas will remain closed. Upon arrival, please remain in your car or outside the office and text your therapist or 925-876-4282 to let us know you have arrived. Your therapist

will text you to let you know when you can enter the office. It is the client's responsibility to ensure that Reach Counseling has the correct mobile number on record.

- All clients must maintain a social distance of 6 feet at all times. If a distance of 6 feet cannot be maintained, clients and employees must wear a face mask.
- Each client is required to wash or sanitize their hands upon arrival.
- All surfaces, pens, and door handles will be cleaned and disinfected before and after clients.
- Individuals who are considered high risk or who care for/reside with individuals who are considered high risk are strongly encouraged to continue teletherapy services.

**BY SIGNING BELOW, I HEREBY RELEASE AND AGREE** to hold Reach Counseling harmless from and waive on behalf of myself, my heirs, and any personal representatives any and all causes of action, claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses, and compensation for damages or loss to myself and/or property that may be caused by any act, or failure to act, or that may otherwise arise in any way in connection with any services received from Reach Counseling. I agree to release Reach Counseling, its employees, and representatives from any and all liability for the unintentional exposure or harm due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). If I take any steps to make a claim for damages against Reach Counseling, its agents, employees or any other released parties, I shall be obligated to pay all attorney's fees and costs incurred as a result of such claim.

Reach Counseling agrees to abide by these standards and affirms the same.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_