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NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

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Our Commitment to Your Privacy

Cameron Bailes, LCSW is committed to protecting the privacy of your mental health information. We create and maintain clinical records to provide quality care and to comply with legal and ethical standards.

Illinois Mental Health Confidentiality

In addition to HIPAA, Illinois law (740 ILCS 110) provides heightened protection for mental health records and communications. When Illinois law is more protective than federal law, Illinois law controls.

Uses and Disclosures Without Authorization

We may use or disclose protected health information for treatment, payment, and health care operations; when required by law; to prevent serious threats to health or safety; and for oversight or emergency purposes, as permitted by law.

Subpoenas, Court Orders, and Legal Requests

If we receive a subpoena or legal request for records, we will comply only as required by law. Under Illinois mental health confidentiality statutes, many subpoenas require specific written authorization from you or a valid court order before records can be released. We may seek to notify you and/or consult legal counsel prior to disclosure.

Uses Requiring Written Authorization

Certain uses and disclosures, including psychotherapy notes and marketing, require your written authorization. We do not sell protected health information.

Your Rights

You have the right to access and obtain copies of your records, request amendments, receive an accounting of disclosures, request restrictions, receive breach notifications, and file complaints without retaliation.

Electronic Communications

Email, voicemail, and electronic messaging may involve confidentiality risks. Secure client portal communication is encouraged whenever possible.

Changes to This Notice

We may update this Notice periodically. Updated versions apply to all protected health information maintained and will be available upon request.