



Accessibility and Emergency Care Consent

Psychology telemedicine is a method of providing mental health services via interactive video communications and/or the electronic transmission of information. This means that you will be treated by your Psychologist from a distant location rather than a face-to-face encounter/visit.

By signing this document, I understand that:

- ❖ Accessibility to your Psychologist is limited to pre-scheduled appointment times.
- ❖ Certain situations including emergencies, crisis, and severe conditions may be inappropriate for psychiatric telemedicine services as your Psychologist is out of the area and not available on a daily or on call basis.
- ❖ Therefore, if I am suicidal, in crisis, or in an emergency, I should immediately call 9-1-1 or seek help from a hospital or crisis oriented health care facility in my areas.
 - Bakersfield Memorial Hospital/ER
420 34th St Bakersfield, CA 93301
(661) 327-4647
 - Kern County Mental Health Crisis Line: (661) 868-8000
 - Suicide Hotline: (800) 991-5272
 - National Suicide Hotline: (800) 273-8255 (TALK)

Emergency situations include but are not limited to:

- ❖ Having thoughts about hurting or killing either another person or myself,
- ❖ Having hallucinations (seeing or hearing things that others don't),
- ❖ Having delusions (beliefs others may consider unrealistic),
- ❖ Being in a life threatening or emergency situation of any kind,
- ❖ Having uncontrollable emotion reactions,
- ❖ Being dysfunctional due to abusing drugs or alcohol

Signature of patient/parent/guardian

Date

Printed name of patient/parent/guardian

If signed by other than patient indicate relationship