



Consent to Treatment (Couples)

I _____, and _____ the undersigned, hereby attest that I have voluntarily entered into treatment, or give my consent for the minor or person under my legal guardianship mentioned above, at Renewed Hope Counseling Center. I do hereby seek and consent to take part in the treatment by the therapist named below. I understand that developing a treatment plan with this therapist and regularly reviewing our work toward meeting the treatment goals are in my best interest. I agree to play an active role in this process. I understand that no promises have been made to me as to the results of treatment or of any procedures provided by this therapist.

I am aware that I may stop my treatment with this therapist at any time. The only thing I will still be responsible for is paying for the services I have already received. I understand that I may lose other services or may have to deal with other problems if I stop treatment. (For example, if my treatment has been court-ordered, I will have to answer to the court.)

I know that I must call to cancel an appointment **at least 24 hours before the time of the appointment**. If I do not cancel and do not show up, **I will be charged for that appointment**. The clinic director may waive this fee after the situation has been examined and the reason for cancelation deemed reasonable.

I am aware that an agent of my insurance company or other third-party payer may be given information about the type(s), cost(s), date(s), and providers of any services or treatments I receive. I understand that if payment for the services I receive here is not made, the therapist may stop my treatment.

While I have taken training in the Gottman Method Couples Therapy, I want you to know that I (or my agency, if applicable) am completely independent in providing you with clinical services and I alone am fully responsible for those services. The Gottman Institute or its agents have no responsibility for the services you receive.

My signature below shows that I understand and agree with all of these statements.

_____	_____	_____
Signature of client (or person acting for client)	Printed Name	Date

_____	_____	_____
Signature of client (or person acting for client)	Printed Name	Date

I, the therapist, have discussed the issues above with the client (and/or his or her parent, guardian, or other representative). My observations of this person's behavior and responses give me no reason to believe that this person is not fully competent to give informed and willing consent.

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Signature of therapist	Date

Copy accepted by client Copy kept by therapist