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Addendum to Information, Disclosure, and Consent Statement

Electronic Communication/Social Media

This document serves as an addendum to my “Information, Disclosure, and Consent” statement, specifically the policies regarding electronic communication. This addendum addresses the use of social media as a method of communication.

Facebook/Instagram

Due to ethical concerns related to dual relationships, confidentiality issues, and professional boundaries, I am unable to accept Facebook “friend” requests or personal Instagram “follow” requests from clients. This is a uniform policy across all clients.

However, I maintain a professional Facebook “business page” and a professional Instagram account, which interested people can choose to “like” or “follow.” I post and discuss relevant articles and information related to physical and emotional health and wellness on these accounts. My Facebook page address is: <http://www.facebook.com/drjenniferritchiegoodline> and my Instagram account address is: https://www.instagram.com/dr_jrg_psyd/

Should you choose to “like” my Facebook page or “follow” my Instagram account, please note that you will then be listed as one of the people who have clicked “like” in the “(#) People Like This” list on my Facebook page or as a “follower” of my Instagram account. Choosing to “like” my page or to “follow” my account will not specifically identify you as a client, but you should be aware that you may be identified as a member of the “like” or “follower” list by others viewing the page or account. This does not give me, nor anyone else, access to your private Facebook profile page or Instagram account, provided that you have enabled appropriate security settings. Your profile will also list my page among your “likes” or “followings,” making that information available to anyone who has access to your Facebook page or Instagram account and/or anyone who may search your profile. Again, this will not specifically identify you as a client, but will identify you as a person who “likes” my page or “follows” my account. Additionally, should you “like” or comment on any posts on my Facebook page or Instagram account, this information will be public although, again, you will not be specifically identified as a client.

As with email, communication via Facebook or Instagram is not secure. Please do not use Facebook or Instagram to communicate with me regarding appointment scheduling, administrative issues, or clinical concerns, as these will end up publicly posted on my page or account. Facebook and Instagram are also not appropriate methods of contacting me in the event of an emergency. Should you need to reach me in an emergency, please follow previously outlined emergency contact procedures. As previously outlined, email (not Facebook nor Instagram) may be used to contact me regarding appointment scheduling and/or other administrative and non-clinical issues, as long as you understand and agree to the risks.

I, the undersigned, agree to the following:

Consent

I have read and been advised of my rights and responsibilities as a client. I understand and agree to all of the above information. A copy of this information has been given to me for my records.

Client (or Guardian) Signature Date

Client (or Guardian) Printed Name Date

Jennifer Ritchie-Goodline, Psy.D. Date