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Please fill out this biographical background form as completely as possible. It will help me in our work together. Information is confidential as outlined in the Office Policy form and the HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices. If you do not desire to answer any question, merely write, "Do not care to answer." Please print or write clearly and bring the completed form with you to the first session. Your completeness will make the best use of our time.

NAME: _____ **MALE/FEMALE:** ____ **DATE :** _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ **PLACE:** _____ **AGE:** _____

ADDRESS _____ **CITY** _____ **ZIP** _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # _____ **EMAIL** _____

TELEPHONE: H: _____ **Cell:** _____ **W/Off:** _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ **PHONE** _____

RELATIONSHIP TO YOU _____

MEDICAL INSURANCE _____ **ID#** _____

SUBSCRIBER NAME: _____

REFERRAL SOURCE: _____

OK FOR ME TO CALL TO THANK THEM? _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

HIGHEST GRADE/DEGREE: ____ **HIGH SCHOOL** ____ **COLLEGE** ____ **GRAD SCHOOL**

SCHOOL _____ **MAJOR** _____

OCCUPATION _____ **EMPLOYER** _____

EMPLOYER ADDRESS _____ **# OF YRS.** _____

PRESENTING PROBLEM (be as specific as you can,: When did it start? How does it affect you?)

Severity: _____ **Mild** _____ **Moderate** _____ **Severe** _____ **Very Severe**

CURRENT MARITAL STATUS: ____ **Live with someone** ____ **Name** _____ **# yrs.** ____

PRESENT SPOUSE/PARTNER NAME _____

____ **Married No. of Years** ____; ____ **Live Together No. of Years** ____; ____ **Other**

Present Spouse/Partner: Education _____ **Occupation** _____

Describe your current relationship _____

PAST MARRIAGE/S, SIGNIFICANT RELATIONSHIPS (years together, names & statement about the nature of the relationship/s, i.e., friendly, distant, physically/emotionally abusive, loving, hostile):

CHILDREN/STEP/GRAND (names/ages & brief statement on your relationship with the person)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

PARENTS/STEPPARENTS (Name/age or year of death/cause of death, occupation, personality, how did s/he treat you, brief statement about the relationship):

Father: _____

Mother: _____

Stepparents _____

IF PARENTS DIVORCED: Your age at the time: _____ Describe how it affected you at the time:

SIBLINGS (name/age, if dead: age and cause of death & brief statement about the relationship):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

DESCRIBE YOUR CHILDHOOD IN GENERAL (Relationships with parents, siblings, others, school, neighborhood, relocations, any school/behavioral/problems, abusive/alcoholic parent):

FAMILY MEDICAL AND PSYCHIATRIC HISTORY (Describe any physical or mental illness that runs in the family including depression or suicide):

FAMILY HISTORY OF ALCOHOL/DRUG PROBLEMS (Describe any abuse of substances that run in the family):

FAMILY HISTORY OF VIOLENCE OR EMOTIONAL/PHYSICAL ABUSE (Towards you or other members of your family):

ANY PHYSICAL OR SEXUAL ABUSE IN YOUR HISTORY? _____ YES _____ NO

If yes, please indicate age and severity _____

SUICIDE ATTEMPT/S or VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (describe: ages, reasons, circumstances, how, etc.)

ARE YOU INVOLVED IN ANY CURRENT OR PENDING CIVIL OR CRIMINAL LITIGATION/S, LAWSUIT/S OR DIVORCE OR CUSTODY DISPUTE/S? (if you answer Yes, please explain):

HAVE YOU BEEN INVOLVED IN ANY LEGAL SITUATIONS IN THE PAST? IF SO, PLEASE EXPLAIN

MEDICAL DOCTOR _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Date of last physical _____ Date last seen _____

Reason seen _____

Are you currently being treated for any medical conditions, if so what _____

PAST CARE (major medical problems, surgeries, accidents, falls, illness):

Any allergies? _____ Allergic to any medication? _____

FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY (Describe any illness that runs in the family: cancer, epilepsy, etc.):

SPECIFY MEDICATION you are presently taking (prescription and over the counter) and for what, include dosage. PRINT clearly:

Prescription Drugs:

Type	Amount	Frequency	Date last used
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PAST/PRESENT DRUG/ALCOHOL USE/ABUSE (AA, NA, treatments):

of drinks per week _____ n/a _____ 1-3 _____ 4-6 _____ 7-12 _____ 13+

Has anyone complained about the amount you drink? ___ Yes ___ No Who _____

Age of first drink _____ Treatment date _____ Where _____

Do you smoke? _____ No _____ Yes # per day _____

Coffee(# _____ cups/daily)

Cigarettes (# _____ per day)

Alcohol (# _____ drinks/daily _____ or weekly _____ Date of last drink _____

Street Drugs (Indicate past and present use)

(Type) _____ Frequency _____ Date of last use _____

FRIENDSHIPS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (Describe quality, frequency, activities, etc.):

Do you attend church ___ Regularly ___ Occasionally ___ Never Religion _____

Do you consider yourself a spiritual person (belief in God/Higher Power) ___ Yes ___ No

SEXUAL CONCERNS: (Describe any concerns/problems/questions you have related to sex, for example: pain, performance issues, lack of desire/pleasure, compulsiveness/addiction, sexual trauma, relationship issues, etc. _____

PAST/PRESENT PSYCHOTHERAPY (specify: month year/s (beginning-end), estimated no. sessions, name, degree, phone & address, initial reason for therapy, Indiv/Couple/Family, medication, brief description of the relationship and how helpful it was and how/why it ended). **Please list all therapists you have worked with.**

1. _____

2. _____

3. USE OTHER SIDE OF THE PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT PSYCHOTHERAPISTS

Please indicate how the following symptoms/problems/complaints are affecting you:

1) Little effect 2) Some effect 3) Much effect 4) Significant effect

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Eating habits/ appetite: eating more/less | <input type="checkbox"/> Spending sprees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weight changed; amount _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid heartbeat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Binge; purge | <input type="checkbox"/> Phobia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleep: Trouble falling asleep; | <input type="checkbox"/> Sweating |
| Trouble staying asleep; | <input type="checkbox"/> Trouble breathing |
| Average # hours sleep _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Flashbacks of traumatic event |
| # Naps/week _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Nightmares |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decreased energy/fatigue | <input type="checkbox"/> Racing thoughts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual functioning | <input type="checkbox"/> Impulse control: difficulty controlling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of interest in activities | physical behavior/hyperactive |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tearfulness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mood changes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hopelessness/Helplessness | <input type="checkbox"/> Anxious/nervous |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decreased attention span | <input type="checkbox"/> Worry/fear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inattentive/Distractible | <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Voices |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Memory: long term;short term | <input type="checkbox"/> Seeing things that are not there |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty planning ahead | <input type="checkbox"/> Stealing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anger outbursts | <input type="checkbox"/> Panic attacks: frequency _____ |

Rate how the problems/symptoms/complaints are impacting areas of functioning:

(Leave blank if no effect) 1) Mild 2) Moderate 3) Severe

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage/Relationship | <input type="checkbox"/> Clubs/Group memberships |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work/school | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friendships | <input type="checkbox"/> Attending to daily living activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial situations | (i.e. shower, grooming, self care) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physical health | <input type="checkbox"/> Spirituality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Interests | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leisure activities | |

What gives you most joy or pleasure in your life?

What are your main worries and fears?

What are your most important hopes or dreams?

What do you identify as your strengths:

What do you identify as your weaknesses:

What do you hope to gain from counseling

What else is it important for me to know about you and your situation.

Patient Name: _____ **Date** _____

Patient Signature: _____

Thank you for taking the time to share this information with me. I look forward to working with you.