## Consent for Teletherapy

Teletherapy is the use of a live video connection over the internet to provide psychotherapy. The use of video for therapy has been shown to be effective but involves some special considerations as identified below.

- INFORMED CONSENT : a signed consent form such as the one you are reading is recommended.
- HIPAA-COMPLIANCY : Ms. Carboni only uses a HIPAA-compliant platform.
- RECORDS : Ms. Carboni does not and will not keep any records on-line.
- LOCATION: Please consider your location during any teletherapy session to protect your privacy and to reduce distractions.
- FEES: Teletherapy sessions are sometimes not reimbursed by insurance. Slightly different codes will be used on receipt forms to identify teletherapy from inpersons sessions. You should check with your insurance whether they will reimburse and at what percentage.
- CANCELATION POLICY: Please cancel 24 hours in advance of a scheduled session just as you would an in-person session.
- OFFICE POLICIES: All other LifeChange, LLC office policies remain in effect especially those concerning Emergencies, Mandated Reporting, and Confidentiality.
- EFFICACY: There may be times when technology fails, and rescheduling will be necessary. Ms Carboni will be as flexible as possible to accommodate your needs.
- PAYMENTS: Payments can be by credit card (preferable) or by check made out to *LifeChange, LLC* and mailed to: *Shawna V Carboni, LICSW LifeChange, LLC PO Box 482 Brookline, MA 02446-0004*

I have read the above considerations and agree to participate in teletherapy with Ms. Carboni, LICSW.

Signature Patient Date Date
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