

Charis Institute for Psychological and Family Services
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General Information - Adult

Thank you for choosing Charis Institute. We sincerely hope this will be a place of healing for you. Please take the time to fill out all of these forms and read all of the information regarding your treatment, the payment, and your insurance policy.

When 24-hour notice is not given there will be a charge of \$35 for missed appointments.

Where did you hear about our services or who referred you? _____

Client Information

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Social Security Number _____
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Mailing Address _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
City _____ Zip Code _____ Occupation _____
Employer/School _____ Work Phone _____

For your comfort and assurance of confidentiality we ask that you please read over the following and sign:

- I give permission for charis institute to call my cell or home and leave a message on the answering machine or with anyone who answers the phone.
- I give permission for charis to call my work number if I need to be reached.

Signature _____ Date _____

Marital Status: Single Married Divorced Separated **If you are married, please state how many years** _____

Spouse's Name _____ Social Security Number _____ Age _____ Date of Birth _____ Employer _____

If you have children please list (include ages) _____

Person Responsible For Account (If other than the client, by providing this information you are allowing us to release relevant information to this individual, regarding billing)

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Social Security Number _____
() ()
Mailing Address _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Insurance Information

Insurance Company _____ Policy Number/Member ID _____ Group Number _____
Insurance Company Address _____ Name of Cardholder _____ Cardholder DOB _____

Mailing Address of Cardholder _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Method of Payment Please check the method of payment that you will be using.

Cash Charge Payment Plan Insurance/Co-Pay or Deductible

You should be aware that different insurance companies vary greatly in the types of coverage available. Some insurances require prior authorization for treatment. Prior to your appointment it is your responsibility to contact your insurance to see if authorization is required. We ask that you look upon your insurance realistically as a device which helps you pay for your care here at Charis Institute. Please understand that assisting you with your insurance claim is done willingly but that regardless of the insurance coverage, the obligation for the fee for the services rendered is yours. All fees will be due on the day of treatment even if you have insurance unless arrangements are made in advance with our office. Insurance companies typically limit their coverage to services that they consider medically necessary. In the event that you receive services and your insurance determines it did not meet their criteria, you understand that you are responsible for payment for these services. I hereby authorize treatment. I authorize Charis Institute to furnish insurance carriers with any medical information necessary to process this claim. I hereby assign to Charis Institute all payments for services rendered to my dependents or myself. I acknowledge that insurance claims pending beyond 60 days are my responsibility and I agree that I will not delay payment and that I will pay the balance if a claim is pending more than 60 days. I understand that if I make a payment and payment is received later by Charis from my insurance company, I will be reimbursed. If a check is returned to Charis Institute, I understand that I will be responsible of paying the fee that bank charges them. I have read and understand the Privacy Policy that is posted in the office.

(Signature/Guarantor) _____ (Date) _____

Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) Questionnaire

Finding your ACE Score ra hbr 10 24 06

While you were growing up, during your first 18 years of life:

1. Did a parent or other adult in the household **often** ...
Swear at you, insult you, put you down, or humiliate you?
or
Act in a way that made you afraid that you might be physically hurt?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

2. Did a parent or other adult in the household **often** ...
Push, grab, slap, or throw something at you?
or
Ever hit you so hard that you had marks or were injured?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

3. Did an adult or person at least 5 years older than you **ever**...
Touch or fondle you or have you touch their body in a sexual way?
or
Try to or actually have oral, anal, or vaginal sex with you?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

4. Did you **often** feel that ...
No one in your family loved you or thought you were important or special?
or
Your family didn't look out for each other, feel close to each other, or support each other?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

5. Did you **often** feel that ...
You didn't have enough to eat, had to wear dirty clothes, and had no one to protect you?
or
Your parents were too drunk or high to take care of you or take you to the doctor if you needed it?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

6. Were your parents **ever** separated or divorced?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

7. Was your mother or stepmother:
Often pushed, grabbed, slapped, or had something thrown at her?
or
Sometimes or often kicked, bitten, hit with a fist, or hit with something hard?
or
Ever repeatedly hit over at least a few minutes or threatened with a gun or knife?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

8. Did you live with anyone who was a problem drinker or alcoholic or who used street drugs?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

9. Was a household member depressed or mentally ill or did a household member attempt suicide?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

10. Did a household member go to prison?
Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

Now add up your "Yes" answers: _____ This is your ACE Score

Confidential Adult Biosocial History

Please take the time to complete this information as it will assist your therapist in understanding and treating you and your problems. Completing this information in advance allows you to spend less time on information gathering activities during your first session. If you need help in completing these forms, please let your therapist know. *Please Check All That Apply.*

- 1) What is your education? Elementary High School College Graduate School Vocational Training
- 2) What is your estimated reading level? Cannot Read Elementary School Middle School High School or above
- 3) Please list current or past significant medical problems (also previous mental health diagnoses) _____
- 4) List all of your allergies _____
- 5) List all prescription drugs you are now taking (include name, amount, how often taken, and how long taken): _____
- 6) Check current non-prescription drug use (if you mark "other" please specify on line provided).
Alcohol: Beer Wine Whiskey
Sedatives: Nerve Pills Tranquilizers
Hallucinations: LSD PCP Acid
Stimulants: Pep Pills Diet Pills Cocain Speed Soft Drinks Coffee Tea
Pain Killers: Darvon Codeine Demerole
Inhalants: Paint thinner Glue Other _____
Narcotics: Marijuana Hash Heroin Other _____
Other: Over the Counter Home Remedies Street Drugs Other _____
- List accidents or broken bones: _____
Did any accidents result in periods of unconsciousness? Yes No
8. List hospitalizations and surgeries and give the dates: _____
9. Previous outpatient mental health treatment (List name of therapist, address, dates of treatment, and frequency of sessions) _____
10. Previous inpatient mental health treatment (List facility, address, and dates of treatment) _____
11. Give a brief sexual history, at what age became sexually active, description of current sexual behavior, along with any sexual problems/concerns _____
12. As a mother or a father, please check if you have had any of the following and on the line state how many of each:
 Abortion(s) Miscarriage(s) A child die
13. List last physical examination and the name of the Doctor seen for the examination. ____/____/____
14. What is your religious background? _____ Name of Home Church _____
How important are religious/spiritual practices to you? Very Important Important Neutral Unimportant
15. Please check any of the following that you participate in or attend. Support Group 12 Step Program Church or Religious Group Social Clubs/Organizations Other _____
16. Please check the status of your parent's marriage: Married/Living Together Separated Divorced One Deceased Both/All Deceased
Mother's Age: _____ Father's Age _____
How old were you at the time of your parent's (Separation, Divorce, Mother's Death, or Father's Death) _____
If your parents are divorced, did either remarry, and when? Mother _____ Father _____
17. List ages of older brothers: _____ List ages of younger brothers: _____
List ages of older sisters: _____ List ages of younger sisters: _____
18. Give any general comments on childhood issues: _____
19. During most of your childhood, who did you live with? Both Natural Parents Single Parent Parent and Step Parent Relatives Adoptive or Foster Family Other _____
20. Check the problems that you had when you were growing up: Alcohol or Drug Use Trouble w/ Law Few Friends Emotional Problems Physically Abused Sexually Abused Emotionally Abused Moved Frequently Neglected Eating Disorder Shyness Serious Illness Other _____ None
21. How did you see yourself while growing up? Never Fitting In Stayed in the Background As "Ugly" As an Outsider As a "Failure" As "Stupid" Unpopular Well Liked As "Pretty" Felt Accepted As "Smart" Took Part in Activities Your needs were ignored Your needs were not important You felt you could count on those around you to tend to your needs You could never please your parents You had to fight for whatever you wanted You ended up taking care of others **Other** _____ *Do you see yourself differently now?* Yes No
22. How did your family related to the rest of the world? Enjoyed being with people, whether at home or in the community Unknown Had some contact with friends and family Isolated and seldom were with people in an enjoyable way Suspiciousness of others
23. Has any other family member ever had any of the following problems : Alcohol/Drug Physical Illness Financial

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- Emotional/Psychiatric ___ Legal ___ Sexually Abusive ___ Physically, Emotionally Abusive ___ Attempted Suicide
___ Committed Suicide Other _____ Did they receive help for the problems? _____
24. Which of the following describes your father's health? ___ Excellent ___ Good ___ Fair ___ Poor ___ Deceased ___ Unknown
Which of the following describes your mother's health? ___ Excellent ___ Good ___ Fair ___ Poor ___ Deceased ___ Unknown
25. How would you describe your relationship with your father now? ___ Very satisfied ___ Satisfied ___ Dissatisfied ___ Very Dissatisfied
___ No Relationship
How would you describe your relationship with your mother now? ___ Very satisfied ___ Satisfied ___ Dissatisfied ___ Very dissatisfied
___ No Relationship
How would you describe your relationship with your siblings now? ___ Very satisfied ___ Satisfied ___ Dissatisfied ___ Very dissatisfied
___ No Relationship
26. Did you ever serve in the military? ___ Yes ___ No **If yes, how long did you serve?** ___ What kind of discharge did you receive

27. What do you like to do in your free time? ___ Sports ___ TV/Radio ___ Gardening ___ Reading ___ Exercise ___ Crafts
___ Hunting/Fishing ___ Other _____
28. Which describes your family's understanding of your seeking services? ___ Your family does not know you are here.
___ Your family knows you are seeking services and are willing to participate. ___ Your family knows that you are seeking
services but they do not want to participate.
29. How do you feel about coming in for services? ___ Positive ___ Uninterested ___ Scared/Nervous ___ Neutral
30. What are your current stressors? ___ Work ___ Family ___ Marital/Relationship ___ Housing ___ Parenting ___ Divorce/Break Up
___ Recent Mov ___ Financial ___ Legal ___ School/Educational ___ Health/Physical ___ Religious/Spiritual ___ Sexual abuse
___ Physical Abuse ___ Spousal Abuse ___ Serious Illness of Loved One ___ Death/Loss Other _____
31. Which of the following problems do you feel you need help with? ___ Depression ___ Anxiety ___ Parenting ___ Intense Anger ___
Compulsive Behaviors ___ Eating Disorder/Body Image ___ Loss, Death ___ Divorce/Separation ___ Sexual Problems
___ Religious/Spiritual Concerns ___ Abusing Others ___ Drug/Alcohol ___ Issues Related to Past Abuse ___ Problems with
Sleep or Appetite ___ Unexplained Frequent Changes in Moo ___ Recurring Thoughts of Death ___ Hearing Voices or Seeing
Strange Visions ___ Very Fast Thoughts or Feeling ___ Difficulty with Memory, Concentration, or Decision Making ___
Other _____
32. Have you ever seriously injured another person? ___ Yes ___ No
33. Do you ever think of harming someone else? ___ Yes ___ No
34. Have you ever: ___ Thought of Suicide ___ Attempted Suicide ___ Hurt/Cut Yourself **If so, how many times**

35. Marital History: First marriage date _____, **If divorced:** Date _____, brief description of problem: _____
Second marriage date _____, **If divorced:** Date _____, brief description of problems _____
36. Who do you live with? ___ Spouse ___ Significant Other ___ Children ___ Grandchildren ___ Parent ___ Grown Children ___
Grandparents ___ Roommate ___ Pets ___ Alone ___ Others _____
37. Which of the following describes your marriage/significant relationship? ___ Very Satisfied ___ Satisfied ___ Dissatisfied
___ Extremely Dissatisfied ___ No Current Relationship
38. Please check any of the problems that you may be having in your marriage/relationship: ___ Recently Ended ___ Too much
arguing ___ Poor Sexual Relations ___ Spouse has physical problems ___ Jealousy ___ Financial Problems ___ Spouse has a
problem with the law ___ Lack of Trust ___ Spouse has problems with affairs ___ Have few or no common interests ___ Spouse
has/had Drinking Problems ___ Cannot Share or Discuss Problems ___ Spouse is/had been Physically Abusive ___ Spouse
does have/had problem with drug abuse ___ Spouse has concerns about my drinking/drug use **Other** _____
39. Please check the problems that may apply to your children. ___ Behavior ___ School ___ Emotional ___ Medical ___ Legal
___ Drug/Alcohol ___ Other _____ None of These Listed _____
40. Do you feel you need vocational training, education or assistance with employment? ___ Yes ___ No
41. Which of the following have been work problems? ___ Missing Work ___ Work Related Injuries ___ Changing Jobs Often
___ Workman's Compensation ___ Problems Getting Along with Co-Worker ___ Problems Getting Along with Boss
___ Pending Disability Claim ___ Fired From Job ___ Never Employed
Other _____ No Work Problems _____
42. Did the problems that you have/had at work involve alcohol/drug use? ___ Yes ___ No

Psychologist Signature _____

Date _____

Client Information

We would like to take the opportunity to let you know about some very important aspects of the services we will be providing for you at Charis. We would also like you to signify your acceptance of these arrangements by signing this form.

Confidentiality

Your identity and any information shared by you will be held in the strictest confidence. The right to release information about you belongs to you. No information, including the fact that our office is seeing you, will be released to anyone without your written or verbal permission. Exceptions to this confidentiality policy are made as a result of legal requirement to report any of the following:

- The abuse or neglect of a child or dependent adult.
- Imminent danger of hurting yourself or someone else.
- In the case of court involvement, if the court would order it.
- Information regarding your involvement in treatment (i.e. Dates of treatment and billing records) if legal collection action becomes necessary by our office.
- Information regarding your treatment, dates of service, diagnosis, and treatment plans if you submit claims for these services to your insurance company and your insurance company requires such information.
- For the purpose of ensuring quality services, our staff is involved in on-going training and supervision. For this reason, confidential information will be shared among staff to enhance therapeutic effectiveness.
- For the purpose of scheduling appointments and receiving notice of cancellations when necessary, you give permission for us to leave a message at your home or work with numbers to call.
- Unethical or illegal practices of other psychologist that have provided care to you.

Appointments and Fees

- You will see your therapist on an appointment basis. You should check with the office before your session or before you leave to confirm your next appointment.
- **Please notify us at least 24 hours prior to your appointment if you cannot keep your scheduled time. If we do not receive a 24 hour notice for a cancellation or if you do not show up for your appointment, you will be charged a \$35 fee and we will remove any future appointments you have scheduled.** After two cancellations with insufficient notice or two "no shows," you may be given a referral elsewhere. Insurance will not pay for "no show" fees, and you are responsible for payment.
- **There is a charge of \$200.00 for your first session** (which involves various intake procedures.) **Subsequent sessions are \$150.00 for 40-45 minute sessions** (other session fees available upon request). **You agree to pay in full for services not covered by your insurance and for your portion of covered services.** We will file insurance claims for you if you wish. If you file your own claim, and pay in full at the time of service we will give you a 25% discount. We will also give the same discount for those who do not have insurance and wish to pay cash at the time of the visit.
- You may be billed for additional services, reports and telephone contact that are not covered by your insurance.
- **We will provide you with a regular statement on your account. You agree to pay 1.5% interest (18% per year) on a balance that is 120 days or more past due. We understand that due to conditions of employment, health, or other factors, a payment plan or other necessary arrangement will need to be made. If this should occur please bring this to the attention of the Accounts Manager to avoid collection action. If collection is necessary you will be charged the collection fees in addition to your account balance.**

Emergency

- If I need professional help between sessions, you agree to call the Charis office at 540.568.1876. If you should need assistance and are unable to reach the therapist, you agree to go for help to the Rockingham Memorial Hospital Emergency Room, or to a Hospital Emergency Room near you. If you are unable to do so, you agree to call 911 for assistance.

Release of Information/Records

- You may request copies of your notes, reports, or any other information that we have concerning your records. At times it is necessary for the clinicians to write reports concerning your treatment. Please know that there will be a small fee for processing any of the above.
- In the event of unplanned or planned retirement of the psychologist or closure of the practice, your records will be maintained for the amount of time determined by state law. If you need to access them, you should be able to contact your psychologist by sending a message through the Charis Institute Facebook page (to be developed at that time) or Linked In or the psychologist's cell numbers (used for emergencies only at this point). You may be billed for the cost of providing your records.

Termination, Legal, Court Issues

- If you should be dissatisfied with the services you receive, you agree to discuss this with your therapist and express the extent of your dissatisfaction.
- You understand that you may terminate treatment at any point, and may request a referral to another qualified therapist.
- In the event that you should make an ethical or legal complaint to any source regarding treatment rendered, and it is determined that the therapist is not found in error, you understand that you are liable for reimbursement of any costs incurred and income lost by the therapist in pursuing the matter.
- The psychologist will not participate in legal proceedings except under very limited circumstances. If the psychologist is required to respond to court proceedings or requests related to your records or your care, you are responsible for these costs and this time, even after your therapy has terminated. The usual fee for court-related activities is typically a different higher rate.

Informed Consent to Treatment

I give my consent for the provision of psychotherapy and/or psychological evaluation services to **myself/my child** _____. I have read the policies and procedures on the preceding pages and I have discussed with my therapist any area(s) I do not understand. I agree to these provisions. I understand that this consent will continue in effect as long as the individual noted above continues in treatment, unless I should notify my therapist in advance in writing that, as of a certain date, I am no longer consenting to further treatment, or any of the provisions listed above. I may request a copy of this form for my own records.

My therapist will discuss with me the specifics of my treatment plan in our intake session. I understand and am satisfied with my therapist's qualifications to treat the difficulties for which I am seeking help. I understand that my therapist will conduct him/herself in a manner consistent with ethical, legal, and professional standards of practice. If I have any concerns, it is my responsibility to communicate these to my therapist.

(Client/Guardian Signature) (Date) _____/_____/_____

(Psychologist Signature) (Date) _____/_____/_____

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**Authorization to Disclose Information
to Primary Care Physician**

I understand that my records are protected under the applicable state law governing health care information that relates to mental health services and under the federal regulations governing Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records 42 CFR Part 2, and cannot be disclosed without my written consent unless otherwise provided for in state or federal regulations. Until I revoke my consent, this authorization is valid.

I hereby authorize on behalf of myself/my child _____

Please Check One:

_____ To release or to exchange any applicable information with my Primary Care Physician.

_____ To release or to exchange medication information only with my Primary Care Physician.

_____ Not to release or exchange any information to my Primary Care Physician.

(Patient or Patient's Guardian, please sign)

(Date)

(Please print the name signed above)

(Date)

(Psychologist Signature)

(Date)

Primary Care Physician's Name, Address & Phone

(Please Print Physician's Name)

(Street/Mailing Address)

(City)

(Zip)

(Area Code)

(Phone)

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Credit Card Authorization Form

Please complete all fields. You may Cancel this authorization at any time by contacting us. This authorization will remain in effect until cancelled.

Credit Card Information
Card Type: ___ Master Card ___ VISA ___ DISCOVER ___ OTHER ___
Cardholder Name (as shown on Card):
Credit card Numbers:
Expiration Date (MM/YY):
Security code in the back:
Cardholder Zip Code (from credit card billing address):

I, _____, authorize **Charis Institute** to charge my credit card above for my copay's, deductibles, or any balances on my account not covered by my insurance. I understand that my information will be saved to file for future transactions on my account.

Client signature

Date