



Fee Agreement for Group Therapy

APPOINTMENTS

An initial individual Intake Assessment appointment is required to determine your readiness for group participation.

Group therapy sessions are normally 90 minutes in length (two 45-minute sessions back to back). Consistency in keeping appointments is integral to the counseling process. If you are unable to attend a session we **MUST** have 48 hours (2 business day) notice. In any cases, you are responsible for your group fee for sessions you are unable to attend.

Should you decide to withdraw from group at any point prior to the end of the 15 weeks of group sessions, we request that you attend at least one additional session to discuss your reasons with the group. Early termination can sometimes be the result of misinterpretation, miscommunication, and the painfulness of the material under discussion. We encourage open communication before a final decision is made. Should you still decide to leave the group, your decision will be respected, but you will remain financially liable for the cost of the remaining unattended sessions. If we ever need to change the time or date of a group session and you cannot make the amended time/date, you will not be charged.

In rare circumstances, we have the right to end your group experience prior to the end of 15 weeks of group sessions. This is decided when we believe that continued participation in group may be harmful to yourself or others in the group. If this were to happen, we would consult with your individual therapist, with your written permission, to try to find a group that would better meet your needs. Under these circumstances you would not be financially liable for the remaining sessions.

TRC FEE & PAYMENT POLICIES

The current fee for group is \$40.00 per session (including the Assessment). Payment is due at the beginning of each session. We request a commitment to the entire block of sessions and we do charge for missed sessions. You are responsible for your group fee for sessions you are unable to attend. This is because in closed groups (as opposed to drop-in groups) space is reserved for you each week.

In unusual circumstances you may become involved with litigation that may require your Therapists participation. In that event, you will be billed for her professional time even if she is compelled to testify by another party. Fees for these services will be based on TRC Fee Schedule (\$125 for Licensed Therapists, \$175 for Psychologists), plus time for transportation and other billable expenses.



AGREEMENT TO PAY FOR SERVICES

I agree to pay all charges for services that I incur. If I use insurance to cover some or all of my counseling at Tender Rock Counseling, I agree to pay any amounts that my insurance carrier does not pay. These may include, but are not limited to, services and charges determined by my insurance carrier to be my responsibility or not covered by my insurance plan. If I incur a charge for a missed or late-canceled group therapy session, I understand that I will be responsible for payment of the agreed-upon fee per session.

The responsible party hereby agrees that accounts not paid within thirty (30) days will accrue interest at the rate of 1.5% per month (18% A.P.R.). In the event this account is turned over to an attorney or agency for collection, the responsible party agrees to pay all costs of collection including, but not limited to, court costs and collection fees.

My/Our initials here _____ indicate I/we understand there is no diagnosis that will be provided by the Group Facilitator.

I/we have read, understand, and agree to the above.

Client Signature: _____

Date: _____

Guarantor Signature: _____

Date: _____

(Parent or guarantor if client under 18 years old)

I understand that my typed name above bears the same legal authority as handwritten signature.