

## PROFESSIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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### **Philosophy and Approach**

My role as counselor is to facilitate and guide you in the process of finding solutions to personal problems. It is a confidential relationship within the limits set forth in the professional code of ethics and specifically listed in Client Rights (see below). The counseling approach used in this practice is diverse in nature and is based on individual needs. As your counselor, I will assist you by actively listening to you and participating with you in the process of self-understanding, personal growth and the development of solution-oriented outcomes. I suggest appropriate referrals if I am unable to help with your situation. It is your right to ask questions about the counseling process at any time. As a licensee of the Oregon State Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists, I abide by its Code of Ethics.

### **Formal Education and Training**

I hold three Master's degrees. Two from Portland State University in Counseling and Education with specific training in psychological testing, and the third from Western Conservative Baptist Seminary with work in OT studies and counseling.

In addition to formal education, I completed two years of supervised counseling internship in both school and agency settings, 24 hours of direct supervision in the practice of brief therapy, and a supervised internship in the use of psychological tests (including the MMPI) at Dammasch and Veteran's hospitals. I have served as lecturer ('83-'94) in Psychological Testing at Portland State University in the Counselor-education program, and team-taught coursework in solution-oriented counseling. I am a certified trainer in the use of personality and psychological tests and a consultant to colleagues in the use and interpretation of tests. As a licensee, I am required to participate in annual continuing education.

### **Counselor Expectation**

Persons presenting themselves for counseling are asked to take the Personality Style Assessment (PSA) prior to their first visit. This assessment with answer sheet is available online at the above website under the "Counseling/Assessment" tab. This information is for use by your counselor, though interpretation is available upon request. All test data are confidential and protected by law unless written permission to share is granted.

### **Client Rights**

As a client of an Oregon licensee, you have the following rights:

<i>1. To expect that the licensed counselor has met the minimal qualifications of training and experience required by state law;</i>
<i>2. To examine public records maintained by the Board which confirm the credentials of the licensed counselor;</i>
<i>3. To obtain a copy of the Code of Ethics;</i>
<i>4. To report complaints to the Board;</i>
<i>5. To be informed of the cost of professional services before receiving the services;</i>
<i>6. To be assured of privacy and confidentiality while receiving services as defined by rule and law, including the following exceptions: 1) Reporting suspected child abuse; 2) Reporting imminent danger to client or others; 3) Reporting information required in court proceedings or by client's insurance company, or other relevant agencies; 4) Providing information concerning licensee case consultation or supervision; and 5) Defending claims brought by client against licensee;</i>
<i>7. To be free from being the object of discrimination on the basis of race, religion, gender, or other unlawful category while receiving services.</i>

### **Fee Schedule**

\$40-\$45 per hour, individual, family. Fee for test assessments varies per instrument (\$25-\$95).

You may contact the Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists at 3218 Pringle Road SE #250, Salem, OR 97302-6312. Telephone: (503) 378-5499. Email: [lpct.board@state.or.us](mailto:lpct.board@state.or.us) Website: [www.oregon.gov/OBLPCT](http://www.oregon.gov/OBLPCT)

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