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Client Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Proof of Identification

Acceptable forms of identification include:

- Driver's License or State Issued Identification
- Passport
- Proof of resident as evidenced by 2 household bills or official state/federal correspondence
 - ☐ ID verified by clinician with electronic copy uploaded to chart.
 - ☐ Client/Guardian does not currently have any of the above forms of identification due to: _____

****Client to provide proof of identification (from client or client guardian) within thirty days from intake.****

Proof of Guardianship/Custody

- ☐ Client is 16 years old or older and is electing to sign self into treatment without need for guardian consent.
- ☐ Client is under the age of 18. The following information has been provided by the guardian of client.

Guardian Name(s) and Relationship(s): _____

I am the legal guardian of the above named child and am legally authorized to provide permission for treatment.

<input type="checkbox"/> Birth certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> Probation order indicating guardianship
<input type="checkbox"/> Power of attorney	<input type="checkbox"/> Court order
<input type="checkbox"/> Kinship care affidavit	<input type="checkbox"/> Custody agreement
<input type="checkbox"/> Caregiver unable to provide any of the above but agrees to provide within 30 days and understands services may not proceed without proof of custody.	

Due to state regulations, Thrive staff are not permitted to complete the Intake Evaluation without proof of identification and proof of guardianship/custody as appropriate. In the event of a custody dispute where there is no existing order or agreement designating legal custody, or where a court order provides for joint legal custody, Thrive reserves the right to require that all individuals with legal custody rights sign the Consent for Treatment form prior to the start or continuation of treatment by Thrive.

Communication

I authorize Thrive Behavioral Health to communicate regarding appointments through use of:

☐ Neither Text Message or Email ☐ Text message ☐ Email: _____

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Emergency Medical Care

☐ I authorize Thrive Behavioral Health to seek emergency health care in the event of a medical emergency or mental health crises. This may include contacting and disclosing protected health information to a local crisis service or first responders in order for urgent assessment and care to be provided.

Emergency Contact Name/ Phone Number

I authorize Thrive Behavioral Health to contact an individual in case of emergency or urgent mental health matter. Verbal and written communication relevant to the urgent matter is authorized.

☐ True ☐ False

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Relationship to Client: _____

Authorization to Bill and Communicate with Insurance Company

☐ I authorize Thrive Behavioral Health to share protected health information with the insurance company listed below for the purposes of authorization, quality or compliance audits, and billing purposes. I understand that Thrive Behavioral Health charges my insurance company for services provided and that if my insurance changes, I must inform Thrive Behavioral Health or I will be responsible for charges incurred.

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Consent for Treatment

I am requesting and give permission to THRIVE Behavioral Health to provide mental health services to myself/my child. These mental health services may include individual, family, and/or group therapy services.

I agree to a Diagnostic Evaluation to determine if treatment is appropriate for myself/my child. I agree that I may be evaluated by a psychiatrist for a Diagnostic Evaluation to determine if the psychiatrist has any recommendations, including medication or referrals to other services. I understand that I will be informed of any side effects of medication that is prescribed.

I understand that therapy entails, at times, discussing emotional, painful topics & age appropriate topics. (This includes, but is not limited to, past/current abuse, neglect, trauma, self-care, wellness, and birth control options).

Confidentiality and its limitations have been reviewed with me. I understand that:

- Thrive staff communicate with other members of the Thrive treatment team as clinically appropriate to ensure quality of care, such as psychiatrists, supervisors, directors, and other staff.
- Thrive must report suspected abuse, sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, neglect, mental injury, or substantial risk of harm of a child, adolescent, or vulnerable adult, even if the events happened in the past, the perpetrator's name is not known or is believed to be deceased, or the abuse was previously reported.
- Thrive must take action to ensure safety if someone is presenting an imminent danger to self or others, such as seek emergency hospitalization or report a threat to an individual or group of people.
- Maryland regulations require Thrive respond to questions regarding OPEN, active protective service investigations even if Thrive staff believe the agency has no helpful information to offer.
- Thrive must respond to subpoenas, but Thrive staff typically consult with an attorney prior to releasing privileged information.
- That information shared by a child or adolescent is typically kept private and not shared with parents unless there is indication there is imminent danger to the child or others.

CLIENTS 16 YEARS AND OLDER:

Maryland law gives the right to anyone 16 years of age and over to be involved in decisions about their mental health treatment. However, a parent or guardian of a person under the age of 18 years may authorize treatment, even over the objection of the minor. The law also notes that at times, some persons are unable to make treatment decisions. Maryland law states that you have the right to make decisions in advance, including mental health treatment decisions, through a process called advance directive. An advance directive can be used to state your treatment choice or can be used to name a health care agent, which is someone who can make health care decisions for you.

- ☐ I do not have a mental health advanced directive but I am aware I can request that my therapist help me develop one if I so choose.
- ☐ I have an advanced directive and I will supply my therapist with a copy of this directive.
- ☐ Client is under the age of 16, advanced directive is not applicable at this time.

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MEDICAL

- ☐ Client does not currently have a PCP
☐ Client is currently seeking a PCP
☐ Client prefers not to release at this time
☐ Client unable to recall information

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WHY

- ☐ Continuity of Care/Treatment coordination ☐ Client or Parent/Legal Guardian's request ☐ Legal purposes
☐ Other: _____

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Previous Psychiatrist and/or Mental Health Provider

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☐ Does not want to release information from previous psychiatrist
☐ Client unable to recall information

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Previous Psychiatric Hospitalization

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☐ Does not want to release information from previous provider
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☐ Other: _____

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Pharmacy

- ☐ Does not have pharmacy
☐ Does not want to release information to/from pharmacy
☐ Client is unable to recall information

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☐ Information related to and/or including HIV, AIDS, or other STD related information
☐ Other: Medication History, Physician/NP orders, Data for preauthorization, Symptoms, Side Effects

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EDUCATIONAL

- ☐ Declines to consent to release information to/from school
☐ Client is unable to recall information
☐ Not Applicable

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☐ Information regarding diagnosis and medication; information related to attendance and treatment participation; educational recommendations;
☐ Permission for Thrive staff to provide services on school grounds
☐ Thrive Behavioral Health may provide protected health information to schools with formal partnerships. The school may use the protected health information for research or other data related reasons.

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PRP or Other Current Treatment Provider

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Referring Agency

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Crisis Response

☐ Declines to sign, but understands that Thrive Behavioral Health may contact emergency or crisis services in the event of a psychiatric emergency or to ensure wellness

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Consent for Release of Information—General

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- The medical information released may contain information related to HIV status, AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, mental health, drug and alcohol abuse, etc.

Signature

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HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY and ACCOUNTABILITY ACT [HIPAA]
NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

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Definitions of terms:

When we say “you” in this Notice we refer to the patient or research participant who is the subject of the medical information. When we say “we”, “our”, “us”, “THRIVE”, or “Thrive” we refer to one or more of the THRIVE organizations. When we say “medical information”, or “health care information”, we include information that identifies you and tells about your past, present, or future physical or mental health condition and the provision of the health care provided to you.

Safeguarding your protected Health Care Information:

Thrive Behavioral Health (THRIVE) is committed to protecting your health care information. In order to provide treatment, THRIVE will ask for certain health information and the health information will be put into your medical record. The medical record usually contains your symptoms, examination and test results, diagnosis, and treatment records provided by your therapist and/or psychiatrist. That information, referred to as your health medical record, and legally regulated as health information may be used for a variety of purposes. THRIVE is required to follow the privacy practices described in this Notice, although THRIVE reserves the right to change our privacy practices and the terms of the Notice at any time. A new copy of the notice will be provided upon your request from THRIVE.

How THRIVE may use your Protected Health Care Information:

THRIVE employees will only use your health care information for purposes related to your treatment. For uses beyond what THRIVE normally does, THRIVE must have your written authorization unless the law permits or requires it. The following are some examples of our possible uses and disclosures of your health care information.

Uses and disclosures relating to treatment, payment, or health care operations:

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Payment: THRIVE may use and share your health information in order to bill and collect payment for your health care services and to determine your eligibility to participate in our services. For example, your health care provider may send claims for payment of medical services rendered for you, in order to receive payment or to reimburse you for services.

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Other uses and disclosures of health care information required or allowed by law:

Appointment reminders: We may contact you to remind you that you have an appointment with a provider.

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Health-related benefits and services: We may contact you about benefits or other services we provide.

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*notifying a person who may have been exposed to a disease or may be at risk of contracting or spreading disease or condition; *notifying the appropriate government authority as authorized or required by law if we believe a patient has been the victim of physical or sexual abuse, neglect or domestic violence.
Health oversight activities: THRIVE may disclose your health care information to other divisions in the department and other agencies for oversight activities required by law. Examples of these activities are audits, inspection, investigations and licensure.

Coroners, Medical Examiners, Funeral Directors and Organ Donations: In most circumstances THRIVE may disclose health care information relating to a death to, coroners, medical examiners, or funeral directors, and to authorized organizations relating to organ, eye, or tissue donations or transplants.

Research Purposes: In certain circumstances, and under supervision of our Institutional Review Board or other designated privacy board, THRIVE may disclose health care information to assist in medical research. Your medical information may be important to further research efforts and the development of new knowledge.

Avert threat to health or safety: In order to avoid a serious threat to health or safety, THRIVE may disclose health information as necessary to law enforcement or other persons who can reasonably prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to your health and safety of the public or another person.

Protective services for the U.S. President and others: As authorized or required by law, we may disclose medical information about you to authorized federal officials so they may conduct special investigations or provide protection to the U.S. President, other authorized persons or foreign heads of state.

Military: If you are a member of the armed forces, we may release medical information about you to military authorities as authorized or required to by law.

Families, friends or others included in your care: Unless you say no, THRIVE may release your medical information to anyone involved in your medical care or payment of your care. Such people include family members, friends, or any individual you identify. THRIVE may also share health information with people to notify them about your location, general condition or death.

Workers Compensation: THRIVE may disclose health care information to workers compensation programs that provide benefits for work-related injuries or illnesses without regard to your fault. These programs provide benefits for work-related injuries or illness.

Patient Directories: The health care plan under which you are enrolled does not maintain a directory for disclosures to callers or visitors who ask for you by name. Your name will not be identified to an unknown caller or visitor without authorization from you.

Legal proceedings, lawsuits and other legal actions: We may disclose medical information to courts, attorneys and court employees when we get a court order, subpoena, discovery request, warrant, summons or other lawful instructions from those courts or public bodies and in the course of certain other lawful, judicial or administrative proceedings or to defend ourselves against a lawsuit brought against us.

Law Enforcement: If asked to do so by law enforcement, and as authorized or required by law, we may release medical information:

- * to identify or locate a suspect, fugitive, material witness or missing person;
- * about a suspended victim of a crime if, under certain limited circumstances, we are unable to obtain the persons agreement;
- * about a death suspected to be the result of criminal conduct;
- * about criminal conduct at THRIVE
- * in case of a medical emergency, to report a crime, the location of the crime or victims, or the identity, description or location of the person who committed the crime.

Other uses of medical information:

Other uses and disclosures of medical information not covered by this Notice will be made only with your written authorization. If you provide us authorization (permission) to use or disclose medical information about you, you may revoke (withdraw) that authorization (permission), in writing, at any time.

CRISP:

We have chosen to participate in the Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients, Inc. (CRISP), a statewide health information exchange. As permitted by law, your health information will be shared with this exchange in order to provide faster access, better coordination of care and assist providers and public health officials in making more informed decisions. You may "opt-out" and disable all access to your health information available through CRISP by calling 1-877-952-7477 or completing and submitting an Opt-Out form to CRISP by mail, fax or through their website at www.crisphealth.org.





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Your rights regarding medical information about you:

Right to request restrictions: You can request a restrictions or limitation on the health care information THRIVE uses or discloses about you. THRIVE will accommodate your request if possible, but it is not legally required to agree to the requested restriction. If THRIVE agrees to a restriction, THRIVE will follow it, except in emergency situations.

Right to request Confidential Communications: You can request that THRIVE communicate w/you about medical matters in a certain way or a certain location.

Right to request a disclosure: You have the right to request that we disclose your medical information for reason not provided in this Notice. For example, you may want your lawyer to have a copy of your medical records.

Right to Inspect and Copy: With certain exceptions (such as psychotherapy notes, information collected for certain legal proceedings, and medical information restricted by law) you have a right to see your health care information upon written request. If you want copies of your health information, you may be charged a fee for copying, depending on your circumstances. You have a right to choose what portions of your information you want to have copied, and to have prior information to the cost of copying.

Right to request Amendment: You may request in writing that THRIVE correct or add to your health record. THRIVE may deny the request if THRIVE determines that the health information is 1) correct and complete; 2) not created by us and/ or nor part of our records; 3) not permitted to be disclosed. If THRIVE approves the request for amendment, THRIVE will change the health information and inform you, and will inform others that need to know about the change in your health care information.

Right to an accounting of disclosures: You can request a list of disclosures made of your health information six years prior to your request. Exceptions are health information that has been used for treatment, payment, and operations. In addition, THRIVE does not have to list disclosures made to you, based on your written authorization, provided for national security, to law enforcement officials or correctional facilities. There will be no charge for up to one aforementioned list each year.

Right to paper copy of this notice: You have the right to receive a paper copy of this Notice and/or electronic copy by email upon request.

Questions or complaints:

Please contact the office at 410-780-5203

THRIVE will take no retaliatory action against you if you make such complaints.

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