



South Riding Wellness Connection

A balanced approach to mental, physical, and spiritual health

CONSENT FOR TREATMENT For Children & Youth

It is important that you understand our policy and procedures regarding the treatment of minors at the beginning of services so you can make an informed decision about receiving services. This information is in addition to the The South Riding Wellness Connection' Counseling Agreement.

We expect that parent(s) or guardian(s) will be involved in their child's counseling sessions as deemed appropriate by the counselor. All children must be brought to counseling sessions by a parent or guardian and that person must remain at the Center during the time that their child(ren) is being seen.

We ask that a parent or guardian who has the legal authority to do so consent to their child(ren)'s treatment at the Center. We may ask for a copy of a court order to verify that you are the legal parent/guardian.

Virginia Law allows for either parent to have access to their child's record or information, regardless of whether they have legal custody or not, unless there is a court order limiting access or terminating parental rights. The Center will attempt to notify the parent authorizing treatment if such a request is made, but please understand that we must comply with a legitimate request.

The Center would like you to recognize the importance of the relationship that your child will be developing with their counselor. The trust that is built in the sessions is the foundation for change and growth for your child. Therefore, we ask that by signing this statement you agree not to involve your child's therapist in any type of legal proceeding against a parent or family member. By doing so you would ask the therapist to betray the trust and relationship they have built with your child.

I have read and agree to all the above provisions about seeking services for my child. I certify that I am the legal parent/guardian and have the authority to consent to services.

Parent/Guardian

Date