

BEBH Limits of Confidentiality

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Limits of Confidentiality:

At all times during the counseling relationship I will maintain strict confidentiality with my clients with three exceptions:

Incidences of child abuse must be reported, according to my local law in the United States. If the child is an adult there is no requirement on me to report. However, if there is a risk of further occurrence with other (current) children, reporting is recommended. Please know that there is no statute of limitations on child abuse. This means that child abuse can be reported many years later, if you wish, regardless of current age.

Incidences of potential suicide. If I consider that my client is a threat to him or herself – ie if the client is feeling suicidal – I must by law report this risk to the appropriate authorities and request intervention and help for my client.

If there is a threat of homicide, either to my client or by my client to another person, I must by law report this to the appropriate authorities and request intervention and help for the target. I will also attempt to contact and warn the target of this danger.

Other than these three exceptions, about which I hereby give notice that I will disclose, everything that is discussed in the course of counseling is completely confidential. Please feel welcome to discuss this further if you wish. I always encourage and help a client to report an incident for themselves but the Limits of Confidentiality Form gives us a framework to help with that.

* **I understand and am in agreement with the Limits of Confidentiality** _____
I consent to sharing information provided here.