

# CONSENT FOR STAFF/VOLUNTEER/INTERN OBSERVATION

The undersigned client\* or responsible adult\*\* consents to and authorizes staff and/or interns of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Facility and/or Program

to observe mental health sessions for purposes of education, training and/or quality of service.

The undersigned understands:

1. He/she has a right to refuse to allow other staff to observe sessions at any time.
2. The signing of this form has no impact on the provision of services.
3. The observation will only be by staff, volunteers and/or interns for purposes of education, training and/or quality of service.
4. This consent is voluntary.
5. This consent remains valid unless the client\* or legal representative\*\* withdraws his/her consent or the client is discharged from services.
6. The observation may be done from behind a one-way mirror/window or within the room with him/her and his/her mental health provider.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Client\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Responsible Adult\*\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Client

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness/Interpreter \*\*\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

This Consent was interpreted in \_\_\_\_\_ for the client and/or responsible adult.  
If a translated version of this Consent was signed by the client and/or responsible adult, the translated version must be attached to the English version.

Signator  was given  declined a copy of this Consent on \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.  
Date Initials

### This section must be completed by Staff when there is no signature by the client and/or responsible adult or if consent is withdrawn.

- Client is willing to accept services, but unwilling to sign this Consent.
- Client does not wish to be observed.
- Client had previously provided Consent but now wishes to withdraw Consent as of \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Staff

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\* A minor client receiving services under his/her own signature must have the signed Consent of Minor form on file in the clinical record.  
 \*\* Responsible Adult = Guardian, Conservator, or Parent of minor when required.  
 \*\*\* Witness/Interpreter = Person who either witnessed the signing of the form (may be staff or other person) or the person who interpreted this form into another language for the client (must include the language it was interpreted into).

This confidential information is provided to you in accord with State and Federal laws and regulations including but not limited to applicable Welfare and Institutions code, Civil Code and HIPAA Privacy Standards. Duplication of this information for further disclosure is prohibited without prior written authorization of the client/authorized representative to whom it pertains unless otherwise permitted by law. Destruction of this information is required after the stated purpose of the original request is fulfilled.

Name:

IS#:

Agency:

Provider #:

Los Angeles County – Department of Mental Health

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