



## Consent Form

As part of providing a psychological service to you, your psychologist will need to collect and record personal information from you that is relevant to your current situation. This information will be a necessary part of the psychological assessment and treatment that is conducted. You do not have to give all your personal information, but if you don't, this may mean the psychological service may not be able to be provided to you.

### **Purpose of collecting and holding information**

The information is gathered as part of the assessment, diagnosis and treatment of the client's condition and is seen only by the psychologist. The information is retained in order to document what happens during sessions, and enables the psychologist to provide a relevant and informed psychological service.

### **Access to Client Information**

At any stage you as a client are entitled to access to the information about you kept on file, unless the relevant legislation provides otherwise. The psychologist may discuss with you appropriate forms of access. Read the accompanying Privacy Policy for more information.

### **Confidentiality**

All personal information gathered by the psychologist during the provision of the psychological service will remain confidential and secure except where:

1. It is subpoenaed by a court, or
2. Failure to disclose the information would place you or another person at serious and imminent risk; or
3. Your prior approval has been obtained to
  - a) provide a written report to another professional or agency. eg. a GP or a lawyer; or
  - b) discuss the material with another person, eg. a parent or

employer;

or if disclosure is otherwise required or authorised by law.

### **Fees**

The cost of a one-hour consultation, usually between 50-55 min, is normally \$187. However, due to the current COVID-19 Medicare requirements, all psychology sessions are bulk-billed provided you have a valid referral from a GP or psychiatrist.

**Cancellation Policy**

If, for some reason you need to cancel or postpone the appointment, please give me at least 48 hours notice, otherwise you will be charged a cancellation fee of \$82.50.

**Please also note the following:**

We do NOT prepare medicolegal reports. If you require such, please inform your psychologist who will help refer you to a more appropriate service.

If you have a current Mental Health Care Plan that entitles you to a Medicare rebate for psychology, you are able to claim up to 10 sessions per calendar year. However, it is your responsibility to be aware of the number of sessions you have claimed, even if those sessions were delivered at another practice or by another therapist. Further, information regarding your progress throughout therapy will be communicated to your referring doctor as part of the requirements of Medicare.

I, *(print name)*....., have read and understood the above Consent Form. I agree to these conditions for the psychological service provided by Dr Yolanda Gribble.

Signature ..... Date .....

Witness ..... Date .....

**Please Note:** *If, after reading this page you are at all unsure of what is written, please discuss it with the psychologist.*