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### **New Client Packet Checklist:**

Welcome to Life in Balance Center. Full completion of this packet will enable us to provide you with the best possible service. This packet takes about 45 to 60 minutes to complete.

To enable us to provide you with the best care possible, please be sure to fill out all pages front and back.

**Please bring the following to your first appointment.** They are required for insurance and medical records compliance:

- Insurance card
- Driver's license or Photo ID
- Any additional medical records or notes you may have from previous practitioners
- Copay or other payment required by your insurance company

### **Please note the following:**

- Client registration (next page) must be filled out completely. The date of birth and social security number of the insurance policy holder is required to submit insurance claims. If you do not have this information, we cannot bill your insurance. You would then be held responsible for charges that your insurance would otherwise cover.
- Please fill this packet out as completely as you can. This will help your practitioner understand more about your visit.
- The Authorization to Release Protected Information is the last page of the packet. Please fill in your name and date of birth, the name of the practitioner that you will be working with at Life in Balance on the line next to clinician's name, and the name and demographic information of the person or entity that you wish to share your information with. Please wait to sign and date this sheet until you check in with our receptionist so that they can witness your signature.
- Please review that each page has been signed and initialed.**

Thank you for your cooperation and patience in filling out these forms to help us better understand your needs and bill your insurance correctly.

*We appreciate the opportunity to serve you.*



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### CLIENT REGISTRATION

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Client's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Do we have authorization to send mail to the address listed above?  yes  no

Phone home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Client Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:  M  F /  Single  Married  Partnership  Separated  Divorced

Employed  Retired  Unemployed  Disabled Are you a Student?  Yes  No

Family Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **INSURANCE: All items in this section must be completed to bill your insurance**

Policy Holder's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Holder's SS #: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Client: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer and Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Single  Married  Employed  Unemployed  Retired  Disabled

Primary Insurance: \_\_\_\_\_ ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Group#: \_\_\_\_\_ Mental Health Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Insurance: \_\_\_\_\_ ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Group#: \_\_\_\_\_ Mental Health Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_



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Thank you for choosing Life in Balance Counseling & Wellness Center. Today's initial appointment will take approximately 50 minutes. We realize that starting counseling is a major decision and you may have many questions. This document is intended to inform you of what to expect, our policies, State and Federal Laws, and your rights. If you have other questions or concerns, please ask and we will try our best to give you all the information you need. All of the clinicians in our practice have earned a graduate degree (Masters or Doctorate) from an accredited University. All Life in Balance Clinicians are licensed to practice in the state of Virginia or are resident clinicians who have completed a graduate degree and are pursuing licensure under direct supervision of a licensed clinician. The clinical supervisor's name and credentials may be obtained upon request. Our clinicians only practice within their scope of training and experience. In the course of our training and previous employment, we have had experience in treating a wide variety of individuals including children, adolescents, adults, individuals, couples, families, and groups. Your counselor will have his/her own primary specialty areas of expertise. Treatment practices, philosophy, and plan limitations and risks will be discussed with you today.

### **OUR PRACTICE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING CLINICIANS:**

☼ Angela McGoldrick, LPC ☼ Dr. Alan Forrest, LPC, LMFT ☼ Cynthia Blevins, LPC  
☼ Andrew Burns, LPC ☼ Jenna Reece, LPC ☼ Megan Propps, LPC ☼ Tracy Wills, LPC ☼ Annie Chalmers, LCSW ☼ Danna Broach, LPC

### **RESIDENTS IN COUNSELING:**

☼ Season Childress, MS ☼ Angela Cardenas MS ☼  
Both under the supervision of Cynthia Blevins, LPC.  
If you have questions or concerns, please contact Cindy  
at 540.381.6215 ext 307

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Our office hours are Monday – Thursday 9am-6pm and Fridays 9:30-4:30pm. You may reach our office by phone at (540) 381-6215 to schedule an appointment. If we are unavailable you may leave a message on our confidential voice mail box and someone will return your call as soon as possible during normal business hours. Most practitioners have confidential voice mail boxes. Do not leave messages if you have a psychiatric emergency; please call ACCESS at (540) 961-8300, dial 911, or go to the Emergency Room.

### **COMMUNICATION**

It is our normal practice to communicate with you at your home address and daytime phone number that you gave us when you scheduled your appointment about health matters, such as appointment reminders, etc. You have the right to request that our office communicate with you in a different way.



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Please DO NOT provide phone numbers if you do not wish for us to leave messages. If a phone number is provided as a form of contact, the front office will leave a message at that number.

Please check all that apply. You may contact me and leave messages at:

- At home at \_\_\_\_\_
- At work at \_\_\_\_\_  On my cell at \_\_\_\_\_
- Please contact me *only at the following number* \_\_\_\_\_
- Please do not leave a message
- Please DO NOT remind me of appointments

### **FINANCIAL/INSURANCE**

As a courtesy, we will bill your insurance company. All payments and/or co-payments are due at the time of each appointment. If you have not met your deductible, the full fee is due at each session until the deductible is satisfied. If your insurance company denies payment or does not cover counseling, we request that you pay the balance due at that time. If the balance is not paid after 45 days, it will be charged 1.5% interest/month (18% APR). If the account is overdue and turned over to our collection agency, the client or responsible party will be held responsible for collection fees charged to our office to collect the debt owed. Our office accepts personal checks, cash, Discover, Visa, and MasterCard (not American Express). A returned check fee of \$35.00 will be charged. If we receive more than one returned check from an individual we may refuse future payment by check.

### **FEES FOR SERVICE**

Initial Assessment & Diagnosis (45-55 minutes)	\$125.00
Individual Therapy Session (55 minutes)	\$115.00
Individual Therapy Session (45 minutes)	\$ 90.00
Family Therapy	\$115.00
Phone Consults (30 minutes) may not be covered by insurance	\$ 47.50
Phone Consults (55 minutes) “	\$ 95.00
Group Therapy Session (50 minutes)	\$ 40.00
Deposition or Appearance in Court	\$500 + \$100/hour
Records and Document Review (\$30 minimum)	\$ 95.00/hour
Written Correspondence (depending on type)	\$ 50.00/page
No Show/Late Cancellation Fee	\$ 50.00

### **NO SHOW AND LATE CANCELLATION POLICY**

Please contact our office within 24 hours if you are not able to make your appointment. If you do not show for a scheduled appointment or cancel with less than 24 business hours notice, a NO SHOW/LATE CANCELLATION FEE of \$50.00 will be charged for the cost of the missed appointment if permitted by your insurance company. This cost is not covered by insurance and is your responsibility and must be paid in full before your next appointment. If a second appointment is missed without canceling with a 24 hour notice, your counselor will speak with you about future appointments. If a third



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appointment is missed your counselor may not be willing to reschedule with you depending on your situation.

### **AUTHORIZATION**

I authorize treatment deemed necessary by Life in Balance Counseling & Wellness Center Practitioners. I authorize Life in Balance Counseling & Wellness to release to my health plan any and all information which she deems necessary regarding my care and treatment to insure prompt payment of all charges for services provided. I hereby assign the payment for all insurance benefits to Life in Balance Counseling & Wellness for any and all charges incurred in connection with services provided to me. I also consent to a copy of this authorization and assignment being used in place of the original.

I understand fully that I remain responsible to pay Life in Balance Counseling & Wellness Center for all charges not paid by either my insurance companies and/or employer, subject to the rules of any federal or state health insurance program such as Medicaid, or to other contractual provisions that may limit a patient's responsibility to pay for medical costs and services. Payment shall be due at the time of the appointment or within thirty days of receipt of a statement.

### **UNDERSTANDING PSYCHOTHERAPY AND INFORMED CONSENT**

It is important for you to understand what counseling is about and what you may expect during therapy. Please read this material carefully and ask the therapist to explain anything that is unclear to you.

#### **What are Counseling and Psychotherapy?**

"Counseling" and "Psychotherapy", or simply "therapy", are words for the same process which is: using proven methods to assist people in changing how they think, feel and behave. Legitimate therapy is practiced by professionals Licensed (or license eligible under supervision) by the state in the areas of Clinical Social Work, Professional Counseling, Psychology, or Psychiatry.

#### **The Risks of Counseling:**

Research has shown that competent therapy provided by trained and licensed professionals is helpful to most people. At the same time, therapy is not guaranteed to result in a successful outcome every time for everyone. It is important that you understand this before you invest time and money in counseling. The greatest risk of counseling is that it may not, by itself, resolve your problem or concern. Unexpected emotional strain, stress, and life changes may happen during therapy. Other people in your life may not respond how you might like them to to changes you make during therapy.

#### **How does therapy work?**

Therapy at Life in Balance will involve several steps. Therapy sessions are usually 45 to 50 minutes in length, and are typically held one time per week to start.

First, your counselor will listen to the concerns that you brought to counseling. He/she will get to know you and how you view your life and yourself. You will probably understand your situation better as you and your counselor talk. After you and your counselor explore your concerns, you will choose specific goals and objectives for therapy. Next, you and your counselor will work together to develop a plan for meeting those goals.



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You and your counselor will define and work toward accomplishing your goals using research-proven methods. These methods include, for example, accessing your inner strengths and resources, changing thoughts that affect how you feel and what you do, or homework assignments in which you try on new behaviors to see how they fit. You and your counselor may decide to involve other family members in your session. Please know that any work in the sessions will occur only with your permission. It is very important to your counselor to see that your limits are respected. Your specific needs and concerns will determine what is done.

Your counselor will frequently take time to examine your progress toward your goals to make sure you both are on the right track. You and your counselor will decide together when your therapeutic goals are met and when to move toward completing therapy. Your therapy may be terminated if you fail to maintain regular attendance or if your therapist feels you are not making progress. You will be notified in advance of any possible termination of services.

In the unlikely event that your clinician is unable to provide ongoing services, another clinician within the group practice can provide those services. Our office will maintain your records for a period of 7 years. Please contact the Executive Director, Angela McGoldrick, LPC, for any questions pertaining to this.

### **CONFIDENTIALITY AND EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**

Your verbal communication and clinical records are strictly confidential except for situations covered in the Notice of Privacy Practices. Please note that confidentiality cannot be guaranteed if you use electronic communications with practitioners or office staff. This includes e-mail, instant messaging, social media and text. In addition, we will protect your privacy in public. We will not communicate with you in public unless you initiate contact nor disclose that you are a client. If an emergency situation for which the client or their guardian feels immediate attention is necessary, the client or guardian understands that they are to contact ACCESS services at (540) 961-8400, CONNECT at 1-800-284-8898, emergency services (911), or proceed to the nearest Emergency Room for assistance. Life in Balance Clinicians are not on-call outside of their office hours. Our Clinicians will follow up those emergency services with standard counseling and support to the client or the client's family.

#### **You have the right:**

- To be treated in a humane and dignified way.
- To be informed of your treatment options, risks, and benefits.
- To take an active role in treatment planning.
- To have questions answered fully.
- To have confidentiality and privacy within legal/ethical guidelines.
- To facilitated review of your clinical information.

#### **You have the responsibility:**

- To be honest in providing information.
- To keep your appointments, to be on time, and to give a 24 hour notice if you should need to cancel your appointment.
- To be free of alcohol/drugs during your therapy session.
- To respect the therapist and facility.



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- To respect the privacy and rights of others.
- To know your insurance requirements, deductibles, and co-pays.
- To pay your co-pay, deductible, or full charge at the beginning of each appointment.

### **COORDINATION OF TREATMENT**

It is important that all health care providers work together. As such, we would like your permission to communicate with your primary care physician and/or psychiatrist. Your consent is valid for one year. If you prefer to decline consent no information will be shared, however we do need your physicians name and demographic information for insurance billing.

\_\_\_\_ You may inform my physician(s)      \_\_\_\_ I decline to inform my physician

Physician's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clinic \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES AND CLIENT RIGHTS**

I/We have reviewed and received a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices, if requested. The Notice of Privacy Practices is available on our website at [www.lifeinbalancecenter.com](http://www.lifeinbalancecenter.com) or through the Front Office. Signing this acknowledgement does not mean you have agreed to any uses or disclosures of your protected health information outside the purposes outlined in the Notice of Privacy Practices.

### **CHILD SUPERVISION**

Children's Names & Ages

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Life in Balance Counseling and Wellness Center strives to maintain a peaceful therapeutic environment to enhance well-being and healing. This includes keeping noise and activity levels to a minimum to avoid disrupting services. Many of our services such as meditation, massage, yoga, and hypnosis are best provided in a quiet environment.

We would prefer that children always be supervised by a responsible parent or other adult at all times while at Life in Balance. However, we do understand that sometimes it may be necessary to leave them in the waiting and/or play room. Please keep the following in mind:

1. Life in Balance will neither provide supervision nor assume liability for your children's safety while they are unsupervised.
2. Children under the age of 5 should never be left unsupervised.
3. You must let front desk staff know you are leaving your children in the waiting and/or play room. Staff will need to know children's names and ages as well as which practitioner you are seeing.
4. Please inform your children left waiting that they must play or sit quietly.



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5. Rough play or disruption to other Life in Balance services, guests, or practitioners will not be tolerated.
6. Three step process for unruly children:
  - a. If your children become disruptive, they will be asked once to curb disruptive behaviors by Life in Balance staff.
  - b. If your children continue to be disruptive, staff will request you speak to your children to curb their disruptive behaviors.
  - c. If your children continue being disruptive, they will not be permitted to be left unsupervised at Life in Balance again. You will need to make other arrangements for your children while receiving services.

### **PRESENTING PROBLEM AND PAST TREATMENT**

Please briefly describe why you are seeking counseling: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you had this problem? \_\_\_\_\_ Did something happen before it started? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have been diagnosed with a mental disorder, please list here: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received mental health treatment before? \_\_\_\_ If so when? \_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the reason for seeking treatment? \_\_\_\_\_

What was most helpful about your mental health treatment? \_\_\_\_\_

What was least helpful about your mental health treatment? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had psychological testing before? \_\_\_\_\_ If so when? \_\_\_\_\_

Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you receiving other mental health services such as: Psychiatrist \_\_\_\_\_ Substance Abuse Treatment \_\_\_\_ Mental Health Supports \_\_\_\_ Case Management \_\_\_\_ Crisis Services \_\_\_\_

If yes, Provider's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you receiving services with Dept of Rehabilitative Services or other Agencies? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been hospitalized for psychiatric reasons? \_\_\_\_\_ If so when? \_\_\_\_\_

Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Briefly describe the reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had Suicidal thoughts? Yes/No Have you ever attempted Suicide? Yes/No  
If so when? \_\_\_\_\_ What was going on that lead to these feelings/thoughts?





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### SUBSTANCE USE HISTORY

SUBSTANCE	History of Use?		Date of first Use:	Date of Last Use:
	Yes	No		
Alcohol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Marijuana	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Barbiturates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Klonopin, Ativan, Xanax,				
Valium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Cocaine/Crack	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Heroin/Opiates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
PCP, LSD, Mescaline	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Inhalants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Amphetamines, Speed,				
Uppers, Crystal Meth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Designer Drugs, Ecstasy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Over the Counter drugs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Caffeine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Nicotine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____

If you are currently using any substances, please describe when and where you typically use:

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Please describe how your use affects family and friends, including how they perceive your use:

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How do you perceive your use? \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever received substance abuse treatment? \_\_\_\_ If yes, when/where? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had the following due to substance use? Blackouts Hallucinations Seizures  
Tremors Legal Charges DUI

### CASE ASSESSMENT

If you currently or ever have used alcohol and/or recreational drugs or overused prescription drugs, please answer below:

Have you ever felt you ought to cut down on your drinking or drug use? Yes No

Have people annoyed you by criticizing your drinking or drug use? Yes No

Have you ever felt bad or guilty about your drinking or drug use? Yes No

Have you ever had a drink or used drugs first thing in the morning to steady your nerves or get rid of a hangover? Yes No



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### MEDICAL HISTORY

Physician's Name	Specialty	What are they treating you for?	Dates of treatment
	<b>Primary Care Physician</b>		

Date of last physical exam: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of last dental exam: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all prescription, non-prescription medications, and supplements below:

Name of Medication	Prescribed by	Dosage/Frequency	Helpful?	Side effects/comments	Taken as Prescribed?
			<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N		
			<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N		
			<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N		
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			<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N		



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Please mark X if you now have or ever have had any of these conditions:

- |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hypertension      | <input type="checkbox"/> PMS/painful menstruation  | <input type="checkbox"/> Seizures            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heart disease     | <input type="checkbox"/> Easy bruising   | <input type="checkbox"/> Head injury         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arteriosclerosis  | <input type="checkbox"/> Skin rash   | <input type="checkbox"/> Headaches           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis         | <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Back pain           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney disease    | <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic pain        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Varicose veins    | <input type="checkbox"/> Skin sensitivity  | <input type="checkbox"/> Fibromyalgia        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phlebitis         | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental sensitivity   | <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic fatigue     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blood disorder    | <input type="checkbox"/> Numbness/Stabbing Pain  | <input type="checkbox"/> Digestive disorder  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer/Malignancy | <input type="checkbox"/> Sensitive to touch/pressure   | <input type="checkbox"/> Operations _____    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes          | <input type="checkbox"/> Abscess or open sore  | <input type="checkbox"/> Infectious Diseases |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accident _____    | <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid <input type="checkbox"/> Hypo (low) <input type="checkbox"/> Hyper (high) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____         |

How do your medical conditions affect your life? \_\_\_\_\_

Were you exposed to drugs or alcohol while your mother was pregnant? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you have any mental or physical problems growing up (birth defect, learning problems, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any barriers to getting healthcare? \_\_\_\_\_

What types of foods do you usually eat? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your activity level? \_\_\_ Chores only **OR** \_\_\_ 30 min moderate exercise: 1-2x/wk 3-4x/wk 5-7x/wk

What is your highest adult weight? \_\_\_\_\_ Lowest adult weight? \_\_\_\_\_ Current weight? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours do you sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have trouble falling asleep? \_\_\_  
staying asleep? \_\_\_

### **FAMILY HISTORY**

Has any blood relative of your child (parent, sibling, grandparent, aunt, uncle, etc.) ever had issues or been diagnosed with any of the following:

- Mental Illness  Suicide  Alcoholism  Drug Problems  Seizure Disorder  Mental Retardation  
 Chronic Illness  ADD  ADHD  Bipolar Disorder

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  Living  Deceased

Cause and age of death: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  Living  Deceased

Cause and age of death: \_\_\_\_\_



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List yourself and siblings in birth order and include ages:

- |          |          |
|----------|----------|
| 1. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ |

List your children in birth order (living and deceased) and include ages:

- |          |          |
|----------|----------|
| 1. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ |

List all current members of your household (people who live with you):

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Do you have any pets? If so what type and their name:

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

If involved in an intimate relationship (spouse, partner, fiancé, boyfriend/girlfriend, etc.), please describe your relationship:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been emotionally/mentally, sexually or physically abused?

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever: been in a war zone or civil unrest? \_\_\_\_\_ Experienced a natural disaster? \_\_\_\_\_

Been a victim of a crime? \_\_\_\_\_ Had other traumatic experiences? \_\_\_\_\_

### **WORK, SOCIAL AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES**

Are you currently working or disabled? \_\_\_\_\_ If working, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your job involve hazardous duties, irregular shifts or other potential stressors?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any attendance issues? \_\_\_\_\_ Job performance issues? \_\_\_\_\_ Threat of job loss? \_\_\_\_\_



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Do you like your job? \_\_\_\_\_ If no, what would you rather do? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you serve in the military? \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_ How long? \_\_\_\_\_ Combat exposure? \_\_\_\_\_

How far did you go in school? Grade K-8 \_\_ Grade 9-12 \_\_ Graduated H.S. \_\_ Some college \_\_  
Bachelor's degree \_\_ Graduate School \_\_ Master's or doctorate degree \_\_\_\_\_

Did (or do) you struggle in school? \_\_\_\_\_ Get along with teachers and classmates? \_\_\_\_\_

In your daily life, can you adequately read? \_\_\_\_\_ Write? \_\_\_\_\_ Do math? \_\_\_\_\_

Who do you turn to for support? \_\_\_\_\_

How is your relationship with your family? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you do for fun? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you do for relaxation? \_\_\_\_\_

### **SPIRITUAL**

Would you say you are spiritual or religious in any way? Please explain activities:

Have you had any loss or death in your life that is currently causing you distress? If so, please describe:

How do you cope with loss and/or death? \_\_\_\_\_

### **CULTURAL**

What language(s) are spoken in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

How would you describe yourself ethnically or culturally? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any physical disabilities? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have limitations on vision, hearing, or speech? \_\_\_\_\_



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### FINANCIAL HISTORY

What are your sources of income? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you receive any kind of assistance with food, housing, or other necessities? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you struggle with your bills? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have your own transportation? \_\_\_\_\_

### HOUSING

Have you been or are you facing being homeless? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have issues where you live now (unsafe housing or neighborhood, poor relationship with neighbors or landlord)? \_\_\_\_\_

### LEGAL HISTORY

- No legal history
- Involved in lawsuit currently: \_\_\_\_\_ in past \_\_\_\_\_
- History of involvement in legal system (describe) \_\_\_\_\_
- Served jail or prison sentence \_\_\_\_ For what crime(s)? \_\_\_\_\_
- Current legal charges (describe) \_\_\_\_\_
- Involvement with Child or Adult Protective Services (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything else not written above that would be helpful for me to know? \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for the time and effort you invested in completing this paperwork. This will help me to understand you more fully and be better able to assist you on our journey together.**

Reviewed all the above content with client:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Therapist Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor Signature (if applicable) Date



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**Authorization to Release Protected Health Information (PHI)**

I (Client's Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date of Birth) \_\_\_\_\_ give permission to Life In Balance Counseling and Wellness Center and

\_\_\_\_\_ (Clinician's Name) to send and/or discuss confidential case records and/or test results, to send treatment summaries and diagnosis information to and to receive confidential information from my PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN, PSYCHIATRIST, OR OTHER PERSON/ENTITY:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

I understand my service record is protected under Federal and State regulations and that information to be released by my signature may contain information pertaining to medical, psychiatric, substance abuse treatment and/or confidential HIV/AIDS related information.

This consent shall be in effect from \_\_\_\_\_ until \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Not longer than one year)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature of Patient)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature of Witness)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Date)