



CONSENT FORM

As part of providing a psychological service, such as a psychological assessment, treatment planning and cognitive-behaviour therapy 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 and authorised practice administration. 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. Files are retained for 7 years for adults and until age 25 for those less than 18 years, and are destroyed after this time.

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.

Your referring doctor will receive reports on your treatment management.

Fees

Through Emerge Psychology rural and remote Australians referred by their GP are offered bulk-billed appointments.

Cancellation Policy

If, for some reason you need to cancel or postpone the appointment, please give us at least 48 hours notice, otherwise you may be charged the cost of the session.

Charter for Clients of Psychologists – see nearby link on your rights as a client.

If, after reading this page you are at all unsure of what is written or disagree with any of the above, please discuss it with the psychologist.