Informed Consent Policy

Policy:

a. In accordance with APA ethical standards, informed consent should be obtained concerning:
   i. Confidentiality and its Limits
      Clients indicate their understanding of the limits of confidentiality by providing their signature on the Informed Consent (Appendix) form.
   ii. Recording of Sessions
      1) Before a session is recorded, clients must sign the Consent for Recording (Appendix C) form.
   iii. Status of the Counselors
      1) Therapists are responsible for accurately describing their status. Interns, externs, and practicum counselors must identify themselves as such and identify their discipline (psychology, social work, or mental health counseling).
      2) Interns, externs, practicum students, and non-licensed staff members are required to inform clients using any services, that their work is supervised and to state the name of their supervisor.
      3) All providers who are under supervision are required to inform the clients of the supervisory relationship by utilizing the Supervision Acknowledgement form (Appendix C). This form will be updated with each client every time supervisors change.
   iv. Nature and Course of Therapy
      1) Clients may request a copy Informed Consent that describes the general nature and course of counseling.
   v. All Research
      1) All research being conducted is required to have separate Informed Consent and IRB approval documents for each project.