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# **Internet Policy**

## Friending/Interacting

I do not communicate or accept friend/contact requests from current or former clients on any social networking site (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, TikTok, etc.). I believe that adding clients as friends or contacts on these sites can compromise your confidentiality and respective privacy. In addition, if I discover that I have accidentally established an online relationship with you, I will cancel that relationship as it can negatively blur the boundaries of our professional and/or therapeutic relationship, compromise your confidentiality, and create the possibility that these exchanges become a part of your legal medical record and will need to be documented and archived in your chart. If you have questions about this, please bring them up when we meet and we can talk more about it.

I participate on various social networks, but not in my professional capacity. If you have an online presence, there is a possibility that you may encounter me by accident. If that occurs, please discuss it with me during our time together. I believe that any communications with clients online have a high potential to compromise the professional relationship.

#### **Websites**

I have a professional website that provides information to others about me and my practice. You are welcome to access and review the information that I have on my website and, if you have questions about it, we should discuss this during your therapy sessions.

### **Web Searches**

It is not a regular part of my practice to search for clients on Google or Facebook or other search engines, as I believe that this violates your privacy rights. Extremely rare exceptions may be made during times of crisis. If I have a reason to suspect that you are in danger and you have not been in touch with me via our usual means (coming to appointments, phone, or email) there might be an instance in which using a search engine (to find you, find someone close to you, or to check on your recent status updates) becomes necessary as part of ensuring your welfare. These are unusual situations, and if I ever resort to such means, I will fully document it and discuss it with you when we next meet.

#### **Internet Reviews**

It is my policy to never ask you to rate or review me or my work online as this can compromise your confidentiality and respective privacy. Similarly, if you choose to do so on your own on another website, such as Google, please note that this is still a risk, and as such, I would recommend against doing so. Relatedly, please understand that I cannot respond to comments online for the same reasons, including to respond to potentially negative reviews or errors. If you encounter these, I will be happy to discuss any concerns related to my business practices, but cannot discuss concerns specific to any clients.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE POLICIES, HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS, AND AGREE TO THE TERMS IN THIS DOCUMENT.

Patient's Full Name	Patient's DOB:
Signature of Patient (if 18+years old) or Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
Signature of Psychologist	Date

