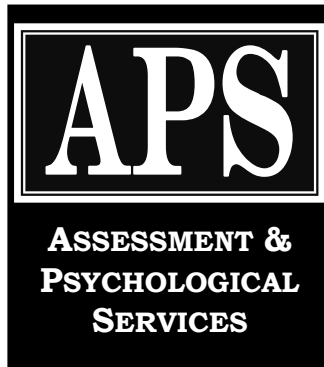


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APS NOTICE OF INFORMATION PRIVACY PRACTICES

This notice describes how medical/mental health information about our clients may be used or disclosed, in accordance with state and federal law (e.g., HIPAA/Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), and how you can access that information. Please read it carefully.

Dr. Alicia Pellegrin and its staff, herein referred to as APS Staff, are required by law to protect the privacy of your personal health information, provide this notice about its information practices, and follow the information practices that are described herein.

Uses & Disclosures of Health Information

APS Staff uses your personal health information primarily for treatment and assessment, obtaining payment for treatment, conducting internal administrative activities, and evaluating the quality of care that APS provides. For example, APS Staff may use your personal health information to contact you to provide appointment reminders or information about treatment alternatives or other health related benefits that could be of interest to you. APS Staff may also use or disclose your personal health information without prior authorizations for public health purposes, for auditing purposes, and for emergencies. APS Staff also provides information when required to do so by law. In other situations, the policy of APS Staff is to obtain your written authorization before disclosing your personal health information. If you provide APS Staff with a written authorization to release your information, you may later revoke that authorization for any reason to stop future disclosures. APS may change its policy at any time. You may request and updated copy of APS Notice of Information Privacy Practices and/or additional HIPAA information at any time.

Patient's Individual Rights

You have the right to review or obtain a copy of your personal health information. You have the right to request that APS Staff corrects any inaccurate or incomplete information in its records. You have the right to request a list of instances where APS Staff has disclosed your personal health information for reasons other than treatment, payment, or other related administrative purposes. You may also request, in writing, that APS Staff not use or disclose your personal health information for treatment, payment, and administrative purposes except when specifically authorized by you, when required by law, or in emergency circumstances. APS Staff will consider all such requests on a case-by-case basis, but APS Staff is not legally required to accept them.

Concerns and Complaints

If you are concerned that APS Staff may have violated your privacy rights or if you disagree with a decision APS Staff has made regarding access to or disclosure of your personal health information, please contact APS at the office below, or inform APS of your concerns via their website (http://www.APSLouisiana.com/portfolio-item/compliments_concerns/). You also have the right to send a written complaint to the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists.

Privacy Practices Acknowledgement

I have received the APS Notice of Privacy Practices and have been provided an opportunity to review it and, upon request, more comprehensive information about privacy practices outline in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Signature

Date

Printed Name