

Confidentiality

All psychologists are ethically and legally bound by confidentiality to not reveal any information about you or your treatment without your written or verbal permission, except in the following situations:

1. When the psychologist believes that you are in eminent danger of harming yourself or another person.
2. When the psychologist believes that a child or vulnerable adult is or has been abused or is currently at risk in some way.
3. When the records have been subpoenaed by a court of law.

In the above situations, Dr. Talbot is required by law to break confidentiality and take appropriate action or, in the case of a legal subpoena, turn over the records to an appropriate representative of the court.

It is also common and part of good professional practice for a psychologist to communicate with others involved in a patient's care. This includes GPs and other members of the mental health service that are currently providing care for the patient. In addition, Dr. Talbot will communicate with other professionals providing health care services, as needed, during the course of therapy to coordinate treatment.

Acknowledgement of 24-hour Cancellation Agreement

Dr. Talbot requires a notice of cancellation 24 hours before the scheduled session. Otherwise, the scheduled session will be billed for the same fee as an attended session.

Affirmation of Understanding and Agreement

By my signature below, I indicate that I have carefully read and understood the information about procedures and how information will be dealt with. I also acknowledge that I have asked any questions that I had and that they have been explained to my satisfaction.

Patient: _____

Date: _____

Psychologist: _____

Date: _____