



## Confidentiality Statement

### **CONFIDENTIALITY STANDARDS:**

All participant information is to be treated as confidential, including the fact that the participant receives (or previously received) services through this ministry.

The privacy and confidentiality of our participants are protected under the Ethics Codes of the mental health professions, state laws and regulations, and federal HIPAA Regulations. No participant information may be disclosed without the explicit informed consent of the participant.

Staff and volunteers often have access to information about participants either written or told them by the participant themselves. Staff and volunteers acknowledge the value and importance of protecting the confidentiality of this information and agree to use his/her best efforts to protect the confidential information. Staff and volunteers hold the confidential information in the strictest confidence and will exercise at least the same care with respect thereto as he/she exercises with respect to his/her own most confidential or proprietary information.

This Agreement is entered into on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

I affirm that I have read and understood the terms of this Agreement.

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(Print name)

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(Signature)