

- d. For use by the Secretary of Health and Human Services to investigate OSC's compliance with HIPAA.
- e. Required by law, and the use or disclosure is limited to the requirements of such law.
- f. Required by law for certain health oversight activities pertaining to the originator of the psychotherapy notes.
- g. Required by a coroner who is performing duties authorized by law.
- h. Required to help avert a serious threat to the health and safety of others.
- 2. Marketing Purposes. As a counseling agency, OSC will not use or disclose your PHI for marketing purposes.
- 3. Sale of PHI. As a counseling agency, OSC will not sell your PHI in the regular course of business.
- C. Certain Uses and Disclosures Do Not Require Your Authorization. Subject to certain limitations in the law, OSC can use and disclose your PHI without your Authorization for the following reasons:
  - 1. When disclosure is required by state or federal law, and the use or disclosure complies with and is limited to the relevant requirements of such law.
  - 2. For public health activities, including reporting suspected child, elder, or dependent adult abuse, or preventing or reducing a serious threat to anyone's health or safety.
  - 3. For health oversight activities, including audits and investigations.
  - 4. For judicial and administrative proceedings, including responding to a court or administrative order, although the preference is to obtain an Authorization from you before doing so.
  - 5. For law enforcement purposes, including reporting crimes occurring on the premises.
  - 6. To coroners or medical examiners, when such individuals are performing duties authorized by law.
  - 7. For research purposes, including studying and comparing the mental health of patients who received one form of therapy versus those who received another form of therapy for the same condition.
  - 8. Specialized government functions, including, ensuring the proper execution of military missions; protecting the President of the United States; conducting

intelligence or counter-intelligence operations; or, helping to ensure the safety of those working within or housed in correctional institutions.

9. For workers' compensation purposes. Although the preference is to obtain an

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