

Dr. William Winogron
LIMITS OF CONFIDENTIALITY

All information that you disclose to me (Dr. William Winogron) within our sessions is confidential (private and protected). It will not be revealed by me to anyone without your written permission, except under specific conditions. By law, psychologists are required to break confidentiality under the following circumstances:

Danger/harm

If I feel that you are going to seriously harm yourself or commit suicide, I must contact someone who can protect you from carrying out your plan.

If you indicate that you are going to harm someone else, I must let that person and/or the authorities know that he or she is in danger.

Child Harm or endangerment

If you tell me about any child abuse case that has ***not already been brought to the attention of authorities***, I must inform appropriate people (e.g., Children's Aid Society) in the area where the accused lives.

If you reveal to me that an alleged perpetrator is in contact with minors and there is a reasonable suspicion that he or she may still be abusing minors I must contact the proper authorities.

Historical child abuse (in which the child is now over the age of 16) is ***excluded*** from this requirement.

Prenatal exposure to controlled substances

Mental Health care professionals are required to report admitted *prenatal* exposure to controlled substances that are potentially harmful.

Abuse by an Ontario health care provider

If you tell me that you have been sexually abused by a licensed health care professional in Ontario, I must report the alleged abuser to their governing College. The law obliging me to report abuse applies to ***15 groups of professionals*** such as physicians, nurses, therapists, chiropractors, dentists, midwives, and occupational therapists. ***You, as the client, can choose to remain anonymous.***

Insurance providers (only when applicable)

Insurance companies and other third-party payers may be given information that they request regarding services to clients. Information that may be requested includes: type of services, dates/times of services, diagnosis, treatment plan, and description of impairment, progress of therapy, case notes, and summaries.

Referring physician

The Dr. who referred you, if any, will be sent a brief summary of the intervention you received and the outcome we achieved. It may contain recommendations for further treatment. Your Dr. will treat this information with the same protections he/she normally applies to health information.

Legal Order

If my file about you is subpoenaed by a Court, I am obligated to provide it with a copy of my entire file or any part that it demands. I can also be subpoenaed to provide testimony in court.

Agreement to limits of confidentiality

I agree to the above limits of confidentiality and understand their meanings and ramifications:

Client signature

Today's date (day/month/year)