



Introduction to New Leaf Resources

We want you to be an informed participant in the care you receive at New Leaf Resources. Below you will find a copy of our Mission Statement and our Philosophy Statement. You will also find a description of the therapeutic process. We trust that this information will help you understand how we function and what you can expect from your participation in therapy at New Leaf Resources.

NEW LEAF RESOURCES MISSION STATEMENT

We are a specialized Christian ministry which promotes healthy living and intervenes in the cycle of addiction, compulsion and dysfunctional relationships. We provide education, prevention, intervention, referral, counseling and consultation services to individuals, families, organizations and communities.

NEW LEAF RESOURCES STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

We believe that all people are created in God's image and have immeasurable value, regardless of their life circumstances. As an organization and as individuals, we openly acknowledge our own brokenness and dependence on God's healing grace and love in our lives. We believe that God works compassionately in the lives of people, calling and equipping us to participate in this ministry. There is a grace at work, the movement of God's redemptive activity which calls upon the gifts, skills, training and experience of the staff to encourage, promote and facilitate this process of healing in our broken world. We seek to bring Christ-like care, restoration and hope in a manner which is sensitive to the complexity of the human condition, which includes the mental, emotional, physiological, social and spiritual dimensions.

We believe that ministry grows out of community. The quality of our staff life and the health of our organizational functioning are directly correlated with the quality of care we have to offer. In this ministry we seek to proclaim and embody God's forgiving and reconciling love. It is our goal that God's ministry of grace and love be reflected in our self-care, our communal life, and in the lives of those we serve.

The Therapeutic Process:

People enter therapy for a variety of reasons, hoping to grow and heal. We congratulate you for having the courage to take this step. If you ever have questions about your therapy work at New Leaf, please feel free to discuss this with your therapist or Executive Director. We will be happy to respond to your concerns.

When you enter therapy at New Leaf, your therapist will initially spend time with you exploring the issues you brought to therapy. Together you will set goals that you wish to achieve in your work. Periodically you will review your progress in therapy. The length of therapy will vary depending on the concerns you bring to therapy and the issues that may come up for you while in therapy.

The changes that you seek can be difficult and painful at times. Therapy can stir up intense feelings like fear, anger, guilt, loneliness, abandonment, depression etc. In the process of therapy you may make changes in yourself and your relationships that you never anticipated. Personal growth is seldom easy. Please talk to your therapist about these matters or concerns.

If you ever have questions regarding your therapy, fees, billing, insurance, scheduling, etc., feel free to talk to your therapist or the appropriate administrative staff.



Privacy Notice of New Leaf Resources (NLR)

This notice is in effect as of April 14, 2003

**THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION
ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED
AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION.**

PLEASE REVIEW CAREFULLY

1. Statement of Our Duties

We are required by law to maintain the privacy of your personal health information and to provide you with this notice of our privacy practices and legal duties. We are required to follow the terms of this notice. We reserve the right to change the terms of this notice based on NLR's needs and changes in the state and federal law. If we change this notice, we will provide you with a revised notice in writing.

2. Statement of Your Rights

You have the right to know how we may use or disclose your Protected Health Information (PHI). In addition, you have the following rights:

- The right to request that we place additional restrictions on our uses and disclosures of your PHI. However, we are not obligated to agree to impose any such additional restrictions. If we do agree, we will then abide by our agreement.
(Except in case of emergencies or as required by law)
- The right to inspect and to receive a copy of the protected health information that we maintain in our files about you. Recipient will be charged a fee for copying and postage of PHI.
- The right to have us correct or amend any information that you believe is incorrect or incomplete.
- The right to receive an accounting of the disclosures of your PHI that we make for purposes other than activities related to your treatment, our payment functions, or other health care operations. Disclosures to you or authorized by you are also excluded.
- The right to receive confidential communications at alternate locations.
(e.g., alternate address or telephone number)
- The right to release your records to others, for any purpose you choose. Such a request must be in writing and may be revoked at any time in writing.
- The right to obtain a paper copy of this notice from us on request if you first receive this notice electronically.

NOTE: To exercise any of these rights, please contact our privacy officer at the address provided in section 4 of this notice. All requests must be submitted in writing. If we deny your request, we will tell you the basis for our decision, and whether you have the right to further review.

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3. Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information (PHI)

NLR adheres to Illinois and Federal Law that requires written authorization in order to disclose any PHI outside of NLR. However, we are allowed to use or disclose your PHI in the following situations without your consent:

- *Treatment.* We may use or disclose your health information to provide, coordinate, or manage your treatment, including others outside our practice with whom we are consulting or to whom we are referring you.
- *Payment.* Information will be used to obtain and facilitate payment for treatment and services provided. This will include verification of benefit eligibility and coverage, determination of payment status, utilization review, and/or collecting unpaid balances.
- *Healthcare Operations.* We may also use or disclose your protected health information to perform administrative, financial, legal and quality improvement activities necessary to run the business and support the core functions of treatment and payment.
- *Emergencies.* Sufficient information may be shared to address an immediate emergency you may be facing.
- *Judicial Proceedings.* We may disclose your PHI in a judicial proceeding in response to a court order.
- *Serious Threat to Safety.* We may disclose information if we believe it is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious threat to a person's health or safety.
- *Abuse and Neglect.* We are required by law to share with authorities in cases where we suspect child, elder or institutional abuse or neglect.
- *Government Requirements.* We may disclose information to a health oversight agency for activities authorized by law such as audits, investigations, inspections and licensure. We are also required to share information, if requested, with the Department of Health and Human Services to determine our compliance with federal laws related to health care.
- *Criminal Activity or Danger to Others.* If a crime is committed on our premises or against our personnel, we may share information with law enforcement to apprehend the criminal.
- *Others involved in your healthcare.* Unless you object, we may disclose to a family member or other close person you identify, PHI that directly relates to their involvement in your care. If you object, we may still disclose information if we believe, in our professional judgment, that it is in your best interest.

4. Contact Person for Complaints or Further Information

To request more information about this notice, you may contact the person listed below. You may complain either directly to us or to the Secretary of Health and Human Services if you believe that we have not properly protected your health information. You will not be retaliated against in any way for filing a complaint. To file a complaint with us, you may submit one in writing that includes as many details as possible to:

Privacy Officer
S. Terry Top, Executive Director
New Leaf Resources
2325 - 177th Street
Lansing, IL 60438
(708) 895-7310

Region V, Office of Civil Rights
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
233 North Michigan Ave., Suite 240
Chicago, IL 60601
(312) 886-2359
Fax: (312) 886-1807

5. Our practices regarding confidentiality and security

We restrict access to your protected health information to those employees who need to know this information in order to provide services to you. We maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with federal regulations to guard your private information.



Client Data Sheet – Youth

Date: _____

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Sex: M F

Address: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____

Social Security # _____

School: _____

Grade: _____

Teacher: _____

Father's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address (if different): _____

Home # (if different): (_____) _____

Work # (_____) _____

Cell: (_____) _____

Highest Level of Education: _____

Employer: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address (if different): _____

Home # (if different): (_____) _____

Work # (_____) _____

Cell: (_____) _____

Highest Level of Education: _____

Employer: _____

Religion: _____

Please list any medical problems: _____

Medications currently taking: _____

Primary Care Physician: _____

How did you hear about New Leaf Resources? _____

Previous Counseling or Therapy (with whom and when): _____

Reason: _____

What are the issues or concerns you would like addressed: _____

Is there any other information that would be important for your therapist to know?

List the members in your immediate family, and all others living in your home:

Name	Age	Relationship	Living with you
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Has anyone else in the family received counseling services? _____

Does anyone in the family have a problem with drugs or alcohol currently or in the past?



Client Billing Information Client Information

Name _____ Age _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home # (_____) _____ Work # (_____) _____
Cell (_____) _____ E-Mail _____
Date of Birth _____ M F
Marital Status _____ Social Security # _____
Employer or School _____
Employment Status _____
New Leaf Office Location Lansing Downers Grove Crown Point
Would you like to receive New Leaf Resources quarterly Newsletter & Updates? Mail E-mail

Insured Information

Client Relationship to Insured: Self Spouse Child/Other _____
If client relationship to insured is other than "Self" please complete the following:

Insured's Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home # (_____) _____ Work # (_____) _____
Cell (_____) _____
Date of Birth _____ M F
Marital Status _____ Social Security # _____
Employer or School _____
Employment Status _____

Billing Information (If responsible party is other than the client)

Insured's Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home # (_____) _____ Work # (_____) _____
Cell (_____) _____
Date of Birth _____ M F
Marital Status _____ Social Security # _____
Employer or School _____
Employment Status _____

ATTENTION THERAPIST
PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF THE INSURANCE CARD
AND/OR FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.
Thank You

Insurance Company Information

Insurance Company _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone Number/s _____
Plan Name: _____
Policy Number: _____ Group Number: _____

**If client is covered by more than one insurance,
please include that information below,
including information regarding the insured,
if the insured is not the client.**

Secondary Coverage

Insurance Company _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone Number/s _____
Plan Name: _____
Policy Number: _____ Group Number: _____

Secondary Insured Information

Client Relationship to Insured: Self Spouse Child/Other _____
If client relationship to insured is other than "Self" please complete the following:

Insured's Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home # (_____) _____ Work # (_____) _____
Cell (_____) _____
Date of Birth _____ M F
Marital Status _____ Social Security # _____
Employer or School _____
Employment Status _____



Client Commitment

(Effective May 5, 2008)

The fee for the initial assessment session is \$130. The fee for each and all subsequent sessions is \$110.

Please place an "X" by the pre-approved commitment option below.

1. _____ I am able to pay the full fee listed above out of pocket.
2. _____ I will be filing insurance. By law, New Leaf Resources will bill my insurance at the full fee listed above. Until New Leaf receives a response from my insurance company, **I will pay 50% of the full fee at the time of service.** After my exact coverage has been determined, I will pay my co-payment and/or deductible at each session.
3. _____ I do not have insurance coverage and I cannot afford to pay the full fee listed above. I have spoken with the office staff and they agreed to provide me with financial assistance toward the cost of my therapy sessions. (See the "Client Assistance Fund" form for details).

New Leaf Resources is able to offer limited financial assistance from the "Client Assistance Fund." Contributions to the fund are received from individuals, churches and businesses that support the ministry.

As a client of New Leaf Resources, I am aware that my responsibilities include:

- An honest assessment of my ability to pay.
- Promptly notifying New Leaf Resources of any life changes that would result in an adjustment of the amount of help I am receiving from the "Client Assistance Fund."
- Paying my fee promptly.
- **Being charged and being responsible to pay a \$75 fee when...**
 - **I fail to give a 24 hour notice when canceling an appointment**
 - **I do not show up for a scheduled appointment**

I understand New Leaf Resources reserves the right to pursue collection of delinquent accounts.

I understand that in the event my account is sent to collections,

I will be responsible for all collection costs and legal fees.

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____



Consent for Treatment of a Minor

Client Name: _____

I, _____ do hereby authorize New Leaf Resources to provide counseling/treatment to _____. I give this consent as the client's custodial parent or legal representative.

I understand that the therapist is able to share with me the following information without authorization from the client:

- Current mental condition/status
- Diagnosis
- Treatment needs/recommendations
- Times and Dates of Service
- Billing/Insurance/Payment information

Clients under age 12, the parent or legal representative has the right to all treatment information.

Clients aged 12-18, the parent or legal guardian has the right to access only the information listed above, unless the client signs an authorization specifically releasing more information.

I also understand I may revoke this consent at any time by giving written notice to the therapist.

Printed Name of Custodial Parent or Legal Representative

Signature of Custodial Parent or Legal Representative

Date

Printed Name of Witness

Signature of Witness

Date



Consent and Agreement for Treatment Consent to Use and Disclose Your Health Information

When we examine, diagnose, treat, or refer you we will be collecting what the law calls Protected Health Information (PHI) about you. We need to use this information to decide on what treatment is best for you and to provide treatment to you. We may also share this information with others who provide treatment to you or need it to arrange payment for your treatment, or for other business or government functions.

The Notice of Privacy Practices explains in more detail your rights and how we can use and share your information. Please read the Privacy Notice before you sign this Consent form.

If you are concerned about some of your information, you have the right to ask us not to use or share some of your information for treatment, payment, or administrative purposes. Any request to do so must be made in writing. Although we will try to respect your wishes, we are not required to agree to these limitations. However, if we do agree, we will then comply with your wish.

Informed Consent

Informed Consent is an interactive process between client and therapist involving your right to have the following information explained to you:

- your condition or diagnosis
- the nature and purpose of treatment
- the likelihood of success
- the risks and potential consequences of treatment, including refusing treatment, and the consequences of doing so
- the alternatives to treatment, including refusing treatment, and the potential consequences of doing so
- the right to include or exclude your family or significant other/s in treatment, to the extent permitted by the law

By signing this form, I am indicating:

- I have read, understand, and agree to the terms of the **Consent and Agreement for Treatment** as outlined above, except as otherwise noted in writing.
- I have been given the opportunity to review and receive a copy of the **Notice of Privacy Practices** of New Leaf Resources.
- As a consenting adult, I agree to permit the staff at New Leaf Resources to provide me with treatment services.
- I understand that I have the right to discontinue treatment at any time.

Note: If you do not sign this consent form, we will not be able to treat you. After you have signed this consent, you have the right to revoke it, in writing, and we will comply with your wishes from that time forward.

Printed Name of Client/s

Date of Birth

Signature of Client or Legal Representative

Date

Relationship to Client (if Legal Representative)

Witness Signature

Date