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FEES AND PAYMENT AGREEMENT FOR PSYCHOTHERAPY SERVICES

Fees

Fees for services vary according to the type of service being provided. Sessions are normally 45 minutes. Longer sessions may be scheduled and will be charged for on a prorated basis. Longer sessions are sometimes useful for couple therapy, family therapy, and EMDR (therapy for reducing and recovering from the impact of trauma) and need to be scheduled in advance. The fee for a standard 45 minute session is \$175.00. Services provided through Medicare follow Medicare session length and fee schedules.

Payment Policies

Payment is expected at the time of each session. Acceptable forms of payment include cash, personal check, Visa or MasterCard, and money orders. Exceptions to the standard payment policy are limited and require the permission of Dr. Firestein and advance arrangements for an alternative payment plan. Dr. Firestein does not bill your insurance company. This is the responsibility of the client. Her billing office does provide you with a statement that contains information necessary for your insurance company to consider your claim (if you have insurance that covers mental health services). In many cases, counseling fees are reimbursable by your health insurance company, Health Savings Account, Flexible Spending Account or similar plan. Dr. Firestein cannot guarantee, however, that any particular insurance plan will pay for the services she provides. Determining eligibility and benefits is your responsibility. Any account not paid within 90 days may be turned over to a collection agency. You would be liable for any collection or court fees accumulated.

Medicare Covered Benefits

Dr. Firestein is a licensed psychologist and currently a participating provider for Medicare. Medicare will usually cover medically necessary outpatient psychotherapy services, but Dr. Firestein is unable to guarantee that Medicare will approve and pay your claim. Dr. Firestein bills Medicare directly on your behalf. Dr. Firestein regrets that she is unable to accept Medicare Advantage programs, which are administered by a third party. These plans may or may not cover the costs associated with services provided by Dr. Firestein. You are responsible for determining coverage and submitting claims to these plans. Individuals with Medicare Advantage and Complete plans must pay in full at the time services are rendered. Under regular Medicare, no payment may be required at the time of service, but you are still responsible to pay any deductible, expenses or fees not covered or denied by Medicare.

I understand and agree to the payment and fee policies of this office.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____