

Achieving Family Wellness, LLC

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Authorization to Treat a Minor Child

I/We hereby provide to Achieving Family Wellness and its rendering provider, Corbett Sousa, LCSW, to provide any necessary services including; assessment procedures, mental health counseling, treatment planning, and summoning emergency services if needed. In case of emergency, I authorize rendering provider or other providers operating within the Achieving Family Wellness center or their designees, to make a professional judgment if necessary, with or without me being present.

I/We voluntarily consent that Corbett Sousa, LCSW, being the holder of confidential privilege, – in the interest of developing a trusting relationship between the provider and my/our child, I/we give Corbett Sousa, LCSW, permission to reveal or withhold information that in her clinical judgment is necessary to best help and protect my/our child within the limits set by the Idaho Association of Social Workers and the 2017 NASW Code of Ethics.

The only exception to this discretion would be in the following:

In cases where there are legal custody arrangements: If parents have joint custody, both parents have a legal right to access their child's medical records. If there is a divorce or separation agreement, **Achieving Family Wellness needs to obtain a copy agreement by the judge** and only the parent listed as the primary guardian (unless under joint custody) will have legal authority to participate in client's treatment and/or have access to their child's medical records. Medical records are confidential and copies of medical records will not be released unless it is in the minor client's best interest to do so, or if there is a court order mandating that copies of medical records be made and released to a designated parent, guardian, or officer of the court.

I hereby acknowledge that no guarantees have been made to me as to the effect of such treatment on my child's condition.

I understand that at least one parent/guardian must be involved in the counseling of my minor child and will need to be on premises during all counseling sessions if my child is under the age of 12. Your signature will be required to this effect on the consolidated client signature form included in the new client or updated client packet.