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INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

I strive to be an investment in the future, not a cost, for people who decide to work with myself (or any professional here). We are here to help maximize people's health, performance and possibilities. I realize that personal psychological work is not easy and can be the most difficult kind. I have experience and training in a wide variety of approaches, but generally work from a Cognitive-Behavioral psychological and an Experiential-Constructivist philosophical orientation. If you want to know more about how I work with people, please ask.

We are entering into a therapeutic relationship that has the potential to facilitate growth and higher satisfaction with your life. I take seriously the trust you invest in me to assist you toward a better life. I cannot do all the work for you - for the most beneficial outcome for you, we will need to build on a collaborative effort toward goals that are of value to you.

A "Therapeutic Hour" in this office is approximately 50 minutes of face-to-face time and 10 minutes of documentation time. The standard fee is \$120.00 per hour. Services provided at this rate are: therapeutic appointments, feedback sessions to clients or guardians, phone calls longer than five minutes, insurance reports, report writing, third-party consultations, travel time and (in some cases) testing. Services are pro-rated based on the time involved.

Certain services are provided at one and one half times the standard rate. These services are: Forensic evaluations, depositions, court attendance, and court preparation. If asked to appear in court (including subpoenas), I charge for a minimum of four hours preparation and court time (this includes travel time). If given less than five business days' notice, I charge for a minimum of five hours time.

Specific services, such as: Psychological Evaluations, Interactional Evaluations, Therapeutic Parenting, Co-parenting Training, Decision-Maker role and Forensic Evaluations are specifically contracted for and a Retainer of \$1000 is required before services begin.

I reserve the right to change the standard fee at any time. However, existing clients will not be expected to pay a higher fee until two months after the initial notification of change.

If you would like a reduced rate, certain things are required. If you are able to consistently pay at time of service (or before) and no billing, no insurance claims, no collection efforts, and no reminders for payment are needed, I offer a 10% discount. If you start with this agreement, but coordination with an insurance company is needed, or you fall behind in payments, then the standard fee (\$120.) will apply from that time forward.

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CANCELLATIONS

I strive to set time aside exclusively for a person or family to deal with their important life issues here and cannot easily fill that time at the last minute. Please call to cancel or re-schedule an appointment as soon as you know it will be necessary. If you do not give 24 hours notice to cancel an appointment, you will be charged for that appointment (in certain well documented emergencies, the fee may be waived). Keep in mind the charge is not the co-pay for insurance covered services (an insurance company will not pay for services not provided). This applies to therapy, evaluations and case management meetings. It is your responsibility to notify T J Price or staff if you intend, or need, to cancel.

If, however, the school district officially closes all the Jefferson County schools in Lakewood due to weather or other environmental conditions, this office will also be considered closed and you will not be charged for a missed appointment during the time schools are closed.

PAYMENTS

I am listed on about eight managed care or insurance networks. Some insurance companies may not pay for my services and others will pay a percentage of my fees. You are expected to pay for each session at the time of service. This may be my standard fee or your co-pay spelled out in your insurance contract. Exceptions to this procedure are: V.A.L.E. and Victim's Compensation funding.

I accept cash, checks on a local bank, cashier's checks, Discover, Visa and Mastercard debit or credit cards. For ongoing individual therapy clients, I offer a 10% discount if people pay the full fee with cash or check at every session (as long as there is no balance due, no insurance forms, and no billing required). There will be a \$35.00 charge on all checks returned on closed accounts or for insufficient funds, and checks will no longer be accepted from the person or family who wrote the bad check.

STRIVING TO BE OF VALUE

For volunteer Individual or Family Treatment clients (no one else is ordering that you attend here), I offer the following option. If, at the end of four (approximately hour long) paid sessions, you honestly do not believe treatment with me has been of any help, I will meet with you in the next session free of charge - to evaluate things and possibly change our approach, or to refer you to someone who will be better able to help you.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

Please notify me of any circumstances that significantly affect your financial situation. After two sessions without payment, your account will be considered "Past Due", unless we have agreed to an alternate payment plan. I reserve the right to stop treatment if a client's account becomes Past Due and/or a person refuses to pay for services - and to turn over "Past Due" accounts to a collection agency. Clients will be responsible for all costs of collection including a reasonable attorney fee.

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TJ PRICE & ASSOCIATES CONSULTATION & CONFIDENTIALITY

In order to provide the best services for our clients, the professionals in this office confer and consult with each other from time to time. By signing this form and beginning therapy with any one of us, you are agreeing to allow myself and my Associates to confer and consult with each other about your situation. Each of us follows existing laws and professional ethical guidelines and will not share information about clients outside of this agency unless required by law, or a specific Release of Information is signed. If you do not agree to this arrangement, please talk with one of us about this. In certain situations, we can keep client information especially confidential and not share information with Associates – but it would have to be specially set-up that way. We will write this in under the Special Considerations Heading section below.

THIRD PARTY CONFIDENTIALITY

I take very seriously the confidentiality that people, such as yourself, expect when they work with a psychologist to improve their lives. Confidentiality is important in facilitating honest personal work. T J Price, as well as other psychologists and therapists, has no control of, or responsibility for, confidentiality procedures employed by other parties who might gain mental or physical health information about you. Many third parties, including insurance companies, often create computerized records and share data base information. If you have any questions about how information is used, please ask.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

If there are any special considerations or guidelines that are to be followed in our work, we will write them here, or everything else in this agreement/contract will be considered valid and applicable.

INFORMED CONSENT

I agree that evaluation or treatment for myself or my child needs to occur and I give my consent for the treatment or evaluation to proceed with T J Price, PsyD. I have a copy of this statement and understand and agree to the terms as specified in this agreement.

Signature of Client(s) or Guardian

Date

T J Price, or authorized agent