

Jeanine Siler Jones, LCSW
Clinical Social Worker
Professional Disclosure Statement

The following information is designed to give you information about the counseling process. Please read and sign at the bottom to indicate you have received this information.

As your counselor, I try to understand you and the difficulties you are experiencing as holistically as possible. That means paying attention to body, mind, and spirit, as well as to the important relationships in your life, and helping you draw upon your resources in all these areas. I am respectful of the beliefs and traditions of others and will not impose my beliefs on you. I will, however, be drawing upon my training in psychology, and spirituality to help me help you find the creativity and courage to cope with the pain you are experiencing and make the changes you are seeking.

I received my Master of Social Work from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, in December of 1988, and my Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1983. I am a member of the National Association of Social Workers and the American Association of Pastoral Counselors. I am certified in North Carolina as a Clinical Social Worker (#C002781). I am certified as an Enneagram teacher in the Narrative Tradition. In September of 2008, I completed two years of intensive training in Internal Family Systems therapy. I am trained to provide individual, couple, and family therapy for adults, adolescents, and children (in the context of the family).

After graduating with my MSW, I worked as a Social Worker at the Charleston Interfaith Crisis Ministry and as the Director of Youth Service Charleston in Charleston, SC. In Atlanta, I worked as a therapist with Families First, a United Way counseling agency, and with Covenant Counseling Institute, a pastoral counseling center. I have been a therapist in Asheville since September 1996, first at the Pastoral Counseling and Growth Center on Chestnut Street and on South French Broad Avenue since July of 2007.

The Counseling Relationship

You and I will form a team to help you heal, change, and grow. This team is built on mutual trust and respect. My role is to provide a comfortable, safe, confidential place for us to meet, to bring the best of my professional training, and to listen to you with an open mind and open heart. Your role is to be as honest as you can with yourself and with me, to see yourself as part of the transformation process, and to pay for the time I set aside for you. Each of us need to be committed to exploring what is going on with you – externally and internally – as truthfully and compassionately as we can. The outcome of psychotherapy cannot be guaranteed, nor can I tell you at outset how many

sessions it will take. At the end of our first session, we will decide together if I am the best resource for you. Referrals to other professionals or agencies will be made when appropriate.

Confidentiality

The information you share with me is strictly confidential and will not be disclosed without your written consent. By law, confidentiality is not guaranteed in life-threatening situations involving yourself or others, or in situations where children or elderly persons are put at risk (such as by sexual or physical abuse or neglect). A part of my providing the best care possible to you, I seek regular consultation with professional colleagues. All information shared with colleagues is presented in a manner that keeps your identity completely protected and disguised. I am occasionally asked to testify in court. It is my strong preference not to do so (it is difficult for you to be honest with me as therapist if you are also wanting me to serve as a character witness). I will not do so without a judge's order, and I will charge you for all time spent preparing for and appearing in court.

Appointments, Fees and Insurance Payments

Individual, couple, and family sessions are 50 minutes in length. Longer or shorter sessions may be negotiated according to need and available time. The fee is \$120.00 per 50-minute session. If you are not able to keep an appointment, please notify me 24 hours in advance. Otherwise I will charge you for the missed session. Most health insurance companies will reimburse for my services. If you carry mental health insurance coverage and wish to use it for counseling, you should contact your insurance company and bring the following information to the first session:

- (1) are services covered for Jeanine Siler Jones? (see licensure information above)
- (2) do you have a deductible and have you met it?
- (3) at what rate does your company reimburse for outpatient individual or couples psychotherapy?
- (4) do you have a co-pay, or do you pay a percentage?

This information will help us know what you are to pay at each appointment. Without this information, I will expect you to pay the full fee. Depending on what your plan requires, I will either provide you a receipt for you to file or will file the necessary forms for you. Health insurance companies require that I diagnose your mental health condition before they will reimburse for counseling. Any diagnosis made will become part of your permanent health insurance records, and I will inform you of the diagnosis I plan to render before it is submitted. You have the option not to use your insurance.

Phone and Emergency Contact

If you need to contact me by phone, please do not hesitate. You will not be charged for phone calls unless our conversation lasts beyond ten minutes. When I am not available, please leave a message on my voicemail. I am usually able to return calls within the day. I check messages once daily on weekends and holidays. If you are unable to reach me in an emergency, your first resource is the emergency room of your closest hospital. (In Asheville, this is the St. Joseph's Emergency Room.)

Complaints

If at any time you feel you have been treated unfairly or unethically, please let me know. If talking with me does not bring a satisfactory resolution to the problem, you have the right to contact the NC Certification Board for Social Work at P.O. Box 1043, Asheboro, NC 27204, telephone # (336) 625-1679, fax # (336) 625-1680.

If you have any questions, please ask them before signing this form. By signing below, you acknowledge that you understand the information above and wish to enter into counseling with Jeanine Siler Jones, LCSW.

Client Signature _____

Date _____

Counselor Signature _____