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Child Focus Consent for Telehealth

Client Name: _____ Date of Birth:_____

I give consent for the above named client to receive **Telehealth** services at Child Focus Telehealth service is provided real-time through audio and video telecommunication technology in which the client and treating service provider are at different locations. I understand that telehealth secure videoconferencing may be used intermittently when I am unable to get to the appointment or at regularly scheduled intervals.

I understand I have the right to be informed of the risks and benefits of the proposed service, of alternative treatments, and of no treatment.

- *Benefits* of Telehealth may include: Increased access to mental health services, less wait time and distance travel required for appointments, improved care coordination with mental health providers, access to expertise from a distant specialist. There are no *Benefits* associated with refusal of Telehealth service.
- *Risks* associated with Telehealth may include: There is a small risk that equipment failure may result in broken communication with the service provider or the experience of poor video or audio quality. There is a slight risk that a delay in evaluation or treatment could result from a deficiency or equipment failure. There is a minuscule risk that security protocols could fail, causing a breach of privacy of personal health information. *Alternative Treatment*: Includes face-to-face therapy service. The *Risk* associated with refusing Telehealth service may include worsening of mental health symptoms and functioning.

I understand I have the right to be oriented to telecommunication secure video software.

I understand that federal and state laws which protect privacy and confidentiality of my medical information also apply to Telehealth. As such, I understand I will be required to verify and authenticate my child's and my own identity during sessions.

I understand that I have the right to consent to, or refuse, or withdraw my consent for Telehealth at any time upon full explanation of the expected consequences of such consent, refusal or withdraw.

I understand that I have the right to be informed (in advance) of the reason(s) for discontinuance of service provision, and to be involved in planning for the discontinuance of service provision whenever possible.

I understand that my provider will be required to follow all Telehealth requirements issued by OhioMHAS and the provider's specific licensing board, including requirements related to services out of state.

I give consent to receive services from Child Focus

_____ _____
Client Signature Date

I refuse to give my consent for services from Child Focus I understand the risks associated with this refusal.

_____ _____
Client Signature Date

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