

Allied health professional industry regulatory disclosure requirements:

ASSERT NSW expects all personal information gathered by an ASSERT NSW member during a counselling or therapy session will remain confidential except when:

- It is subpoenaed by a court; or
- Failure to disclose the information would place you or another person at serious risk to life, health or safety; or
- Your prior approval has been arranged to provide a written report to another professional or agency (e.g. a GP or a lawyer or other allied health professional); or
- Discuss the material with another person (e.g. a parent, employer or health provider); or
- Disclose the information in another way; or
- You would reasonably expect your personal information to be disclosed to another professional or agency (e.g. your GP) and disclosure of your personal information to that third party is for a purpose which is directly related to the primary purpose for which your personal information was collected; or
- Disclosure is otherwise required or authorised by law.

The client agrees not to record by any means any session or part thereof including note taking unless otherwise agreed to. Failure to do so would constitute a severe breach of client-counsellor/therapist confidentiality. Further, recordings of any session may be in breach of the NSW Surveillance Devices Act 2007 No. 64 Part 2 and other legislation as the case may be.

As part of providing a counselling/therapy service it may be necessary to collect and record personal information that is relevant to a client's situation. This information is a necessary part of the consultative service provided to the client. All personal information gathered during the provision of the counselling/therapy service will remain confidential and secure unless compelled to do so by law or security reasons.