

Informed Consent Regarding Graduate Counseling Interns

Client Name: _____

Date: _____

In some cases, Counseling Services utilizes the services of counseling interns or practicum students who are in the process of completing their Master's Degrees in counseling here at Regent University. These students have been well-trained in areas such as counseling techniques, ethics, integration of Christianity and counseling, and crisis intervention. Additionally, they have been individually recommended by the graduate program and then carefully interviewed and selected by the Executive Director of Student Services and the Staff Counselor.

Please review the following information regarding interns and practicum students and the services that they provide.

1. Student providers are trained and capable of providing individual and group counseling for a large number of mental health needs.
2. Student providers are bound by the same ethics, laws, and limits of confidentiality as licensed clinicians.
3. Student providers are still enrolled in their graduate program and thus are not yet eligible for licensure by the Commonwealth of Virginia.
4. Student providers do not offer services for those students needing input regarding court, legal, or disability situations.
5. Student providers may refer cases to the clinical supervisor based on assessment of need.
6. Student providers may request permission to audio or video tape one or more of your sessions. You are not in any way obligated to give your consent to this process. If you agree to taping you will be provided with a separate consent for your review and signature.
7. Student providers receive clinical supervision from Robert M. Kuschel, MS, LPC, who is the Staff Counselor at Regent University and a Licensed Professional Counselor in the Commonwealth of Virginia (Lic#:0701005211). He has also received additional training/certifications in providing clinical supervision.
8. As part of the supervision process, Mr. Kuschel will at times review your case by name with your student provider. This process may include a review of case notes, recollection of discussions, and/or reviewing other documentation. Mr. Kuschel is bound by the same confidentiality as previously noted and reviewed with you by your student provider.
9. If at any time you have any questions or concerns you may contact Mr. Kuschel directly. His email address is rkuschel@regent.edu and his direct phone number is (757) 352-4101.

In signing you are agreeing that you have read the above information and are providing your consent to receive services from a graduate intern or practicum student.

Client Signature

Student Provider Signature