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## COUNSELING SETUP



Confidentiality and Privacy: Ensure that all client communications and personal details remain private unless required by law to disclose.

**Informed Consent:** Before beginning, obtain informed consent from clients, outlining the limitations of the counseling relationship, confidentiality, etc.

**Professionalism:** Counselors should possess the necessary qualifications, skills, and training to provide competent services.

**Boundaries:** Establish clear boundaries and avoid engaging in dual relationships that may compromise objectivity or cause harm to clients.

**Cultural Competence:** Demonstrate cultural humility and sensitivity to diverse backgrounds, beliefs, and identities.



**Duty to Report:** Counselors have a legal and ethical obligation to report instances of abuse, neglect, or imminent harm to clients or others, as mandated by law.

**Supervision and Consultation:** Seek supervision and consultation from experienced colleagues or supervisors.

**Termination:** The termination process should be done ethically and responsibly, providing adequate referrals when necessary.

**Data Management:** Safeguard the electronic and physical records to ensure data accuracy.

**Self-Reflection:** Engage in ongoing self-reflection and personal growth to enhance their effectiveness and ethical practice.