

Group Therapy Referral Form

Fax complete referral forms (EMR referral letters are welcome as long as they contain all the information asked for in this form):

(416) 665-2243

***This referral is for a one-time psychiatric assessment to determine suitability for group therapy modality and does not guarantee acceptance into a group therapy program.** The group therapy offered is time-limited, last between 6-12 weeks, after which the patient will be discharged back to their primary care provider.

ALL FIELDS BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED.

Name of Group you're referring to (please see current active group list at www.grouptherapyworks.ca):

Referring Physician: _____ **Date (mm/dd/yyyy):** _____

Psychiatrist Involved? Yes No **If Y please give name/contact:** _____

Other Mental Health Professional Involved? Yes No **If Y please give name/contact:** _____

Primary Care Provider name/contact (if different from referring physician): _____

Patient Information: Full Name: _____ **D.O.B. (mm/dd/yyyy)** _____

Home Address: _____

OHIP #: _____ **Version code:** ____ **Main Phone No.:** _____

Alt. Phone No.: _____ **Email:** _____

consent to leave vm on these phone numbers: Yes No **consent to email for admin purposes:** Yes No

Emergency Contact Name: _____ **Relationship:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Reason for Referral (goals of therapy, target symptoms):

All Psychiatric Diagnosis(es):

PHQ-9 Score:

Brief Psychiatric History (please include any prior Group Psychotherapy experience):

Medical History:

Current Treatment (medications, psychotherapy):

Past psychiatric hospitalizations/emergency visits: (please write the most recent and/or most severe ones, indicate location, reason for admission, approximate dates and length of stay):

Prior psychiatric/assessment notes are attached **No prior psychiatric assessments**

Please complete the screening checklists below: Group therapy offered is not appropriate for patient with severe or unstable mental health conditions or requiring immediate crisis intervention for any mental health reason. DBT or trauma therapy are not offered.

Inclusion Criteria:

- Motivation to attend group Yes No
- Availability for 8-12 successive sessions Yes No
- Ability to tolerate distress and regulate emotions Yes No
- Ability to complete homework Yes No
- Has internet / technology access for virtual care Yes No

Exclusion Criteria: Please elaborate on any 'Yes' answers to Exclusion Criteria by providing any comments/concerns.

- Previous difficulty in group setting Yes No _____
- Current or recent Alcohol/Drug misuse/abuse/dependence Yes No _____
- Dissociation or severe emotional dysregulation Yes No _____
- Aggression/Impulsive behaviour/Homicidality Yes No _____
- Self-harm/Suicidality Yes No _____
- Cognitive Impairment Yes No _____
- Active or recent Psychosis/Mania/Hypomania Yes No _____
- Psychiatric Admission within last 9 months Yes No _____
- Personality disorder/traits (including borderline) that would impair group functioning Yes No _____
- Severe depression/anxiety that prevents engagement in group setting Yes No _____
- Prominent trauma history or PTSD w/o prior treatment Yes No _____
- Currently living in Domestic Violence Yes No _____

Comments/concerns:

I understand that individual psychotherapy and individual psychiatric care/medication management will not be provided in this clinic. I will plan patient care accordingly. I understand Group therapists will NOT provide assessments or documentation for legal, custody, disability, insurance or WSIB issues. Yes No

Physician Signature: _____ **Date:** _____ **OHIP Billing Number:** _____

Address: _____ **Phone:** _____ **Fax:** _____

Upon receiving this referral, you will be notified if the referral has been accepted. The patient will be put on a waitlist and contacted directly when an appointment becomes available for consultation. The wait time may be 4-12 weeks. Thank you kindly for your referral.