All-In-One FCTS Form

Attention: Please do not email this form.

Download to your computer, complete, and then upload to the portal you downloaded it from.

<u>Or</u> complete, print, and deliver directly to your therapist.

Thank you for choosing Fern Counseling.

State law, federal law, and your insurance provider require us to collect certain data before the therapeutic relationship can begin. For your convenience, we have combined our forms and the required forms into one "fillable" PDF.

Please fill all applicable text and click boxes, and please read all informational forms. This PDF should take approximately 20 minutes to complete.

Use your keyboard to fill in where signatures are required. When you upload your document, you will be instructed to electronically sign.

This All-In-One Document Includes:

Fern Counseling General Intake Questionnaire

Teletherapy Payment Agreement

Credit Card Authorization Form

Authorization for Use or Disclosure of Protected Heath Information

Patient Rights and HIPAA Authorizations

Notice of Privacy Practices

Acknowledgement of Receipt of HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices

CAGE-AID Questionnaire

Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale

World Health Organization Disability Assessment Schedule 2.0 (WHODAS)

Please complete and bring the forms to your first session. Please note, information provided on this form is confidential.

Name:		Date	e:
Parent/Legal Guardian (if under 18): _			
Address:	City:		_Zip:
Text reminders? ☐ Yes ☐ No			
Phone: cell ()hom	e (other ()	
May we leave a phone message? □ Ye Email:	s □ No		
May we leave a message? ☐ Yes ☐	∃ No		
*Please note: Email correspondence is communication.	s not considered to b	oe a confidential	medium of
DOB:	Age:Gende	r: Fo Mo	NB□ T□
Marital Status: Never Married I	Domestic Partnershi	p 🗆 Married 🗆 S	Separated
□ Divorced □ Widowed □ Other		·	•
<u>History</u> Have you previously received any type etc.)? □ No □ Yes, Previous therapist/practitioner:			
Are you taking any prescribed psychia Please list:	tric medications □ Y	es □ No	
General and Mental Health Informati	<u>ion</u>		
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2. How would you rate your current sl ☐ Poor ☐ Unsatisfactory ☐	. •	Good □ Good	Very

Any specific sleep issues or other problems you are currently experiencing or would to address?

3. How many times per week do you generally exercise? What types of exercise do you participate in?	
4. Any difficulties with your appetite or eating problems:	
5. Are you currently experiencing overwhelming sadness, grief or depression? No If yes, for approximately how long?	⊐ Yes
6. Are you currently experiencing anxiety, panics attacks or have any phobias? □ No If yes, when did you begin experiencing this?	□ Yes
7. Are you currently experiencing any chronic pain? □ No □ Yes If yes, please describe:	
8. Do you drink alcohol more than once a week? □ No □ Yes	
9. How often do you engage in recreational drug use? □ Daily □ Weekly □ Monthly □ Infrequently □ Never Any recreational drug use history? □ No □ Yes please list if yes:	
10. Are you currently in a relationship? □ No □ Yes If yes, for how long? How would you rate your relationship? □ Poor □ Unsatisfactory □ Satisfactory □ Good □ Very good please explain any difficulties:	
11. Have you had any recent stressful life events, changes, or losses?	

Please list any family health and/or menta	l health, or addiction history be	elow:
CLIENT'SFAMILY Name:	Relationship to you:	Age:
What would you like to address in therapy	?	
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What goals would you like to accomplish i	n therapy?	
Referred by:		
Is there any other information you would traumas, etc.):	like to share, of feel is importar	nt to share? (surgeries

Cancellation fee agreement

Sign:	Date
teletherapy session. I understand t	will automatically charge me before the start of each the teletherapy session will not begin without payment. I will automatically charge me for missed appointments. I ion if I am late to therapy.
Sign:	Date:
canceling my appointments at least	e to the above policy. I understand that I am responsible for t 48 hours in advance. I understand that I will be charged or the full fee for late cancellations and/or missed sessions.
Initials:	
	ession or late cancellation will be the full session fee. I vill automatically charge me for missed appointments. I ion if I am late to therapy.
Initials:	
Counseling does not charge for late-ca	nce an emergency or serious illness. In these circumstances, Fern incel or missed appointments. However, Fern Counseling reserves or circumstance constitutes an excusable late cancel or missed
Illness/Emergencies	
Initials:	
show.	
the full cost of session. I understan	-emergency/illness cancellations or I will be responsible for d that private practice therapists do not get paid if I do not

Credit Card Authorization Form

Fern Counseling requires credit card information and authorization, even if you choose to use other methods of payment. Fern Counseling requires payment at the time of service. Automatic charges will apply for session in which there are: no-shows, late cancellations, and as agreed upon by client as a method of payment. Payment is due before each session. If payment has not been collected by the end of a session; I agree to allow my credit card payment to be made by Fern Counseling. Charges will be run through Square card reader and/or Stripe. Please complete the form below.

Card Type:			
□ VISA □ Master Card □ Discover	□ AMEX	□ Other	
Card holder Name (as shown on card):		Zip code:
Card Number 1:			Security Code:
Card Number 2:			Security Code:
Expiration Date (card 1) (mm/yy):			
Expiration Date (card 2) (mm/yy):			
Your signature below indicates that y charges for: no-shows, late cancellati			
Sign:		Date	a•

Authorization for Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information

Chefit Information			
Client Last Name	First Name	MI	_
DOB:Client Address			
Client Home Phone:			
Client Email Address:			
Recipient Information			
I,, do loof my mental health information to the Name of person/facility to recephone:N/A	e person or facility below. eive medical information: _	FCTS' Billing Services	
Date of Authorization: Authorization to expire on	kpire or upon the happening es a insurance billing company of illing services, this release of inf	called Bell MedEx. Howe	ver, FCTS may
Information to be Released (Note with any other type of request.)	e: Requests for release of ps	ychotherapy notes ca	nnot be combined
☐ My entire mental health record— Only those portions pertaining to:	Insurance informati diagnosis, and any billir		•
☐ Authorization for Psychotherapy No Notes, you must not use it as an autho			
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Purpose of Information Release: □ Further mental health care □ Applying for insurance □ At the request of the individual	XPayment of insurance □ Vocational rehab, eva ✓ Other (specify): An	aluation	egal investigation ility determination

Use or Disclosure of PHI Continued

Authorization and Signature

I authorize the release of my confidential protected health information, as described in my directions above. I understand that this authorization is voluntary, that the information to be disclosed is protected by law, and the use/disclosure is to be made to conform to my directions. The information that is used and/or disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be re-disclosed by the recipient unless the recipient is covered by state laws that limit the use and/or disclosure of my confidential protected health information.

	Sign	nature		Da	ate
If signed	d by a personal	representative:			
(a)	Print your name	e:			
(b)	Indicate your re	elationship to the	client and/or reason and	legal authority for si	gning:
	Patient is:	□ minor	□ incompetent	□ disabled	□ deceased
	Legal authority	: □ parent	□ legal guardian	□ representative of o	deceased

PATIENT RIGHTS AND HIPAA AUTHORIZATIONS

The following specifies your rights about this authorization under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended from time to time ("HIPAA").

- 1. Tell your mental health professional if you don't understand this authorization, and they will explain it to you.
- 2. You have the right to revoke or cancel this authorization at any time, except: (a) to the extent information has already been shared based on this authorization; or (b) this authorization was obtained as a condition of obtaining insurance coverage. To revoke or cancel this authorization, you must submit your request in writing to your mental health professional and your insurance company, if applicable.
- 3. You may refuse to sign this authorization. Your refusal to sign will not affect your ability to obtain treatment, make payment, or affect your eligibility for benefits. If you refuse to sign this authorization, and you are in a research-related treatment program, or have authorized your provider to disclose information about you to a third party, your provider has the right to decide not to treat you or accept you as a client in their practice.
- 4. Once the information about you leaves this office according to the terms of this authorization, this office has no control over how it will be used by the recipient. You need to be aware that at that point your information may no longer be protected by HIPAA.
- 5. If this office initiated this authorization, you <u>must</u> receive a copy of the signed authorization.
- 6. Special Instructions for completing this authorization for the use and disclosure of Psychotherapy Notes. HIPAA provides special protections to certain medical records known as "Psychotherapy Notes." All Psychotherapy Notes recorded on any medium (i.e., paper, electronic) by a mental health professional (such as a psychologist or psychiatrist) must be kept by the author and filed separate from the rest of the client's medical records to maintain a higher standard of protection. "Psychotherapy Notes" are defined under HIPAA as notes recorded by a health care provider who is a mental health professional documenting or analyzing the contents of conversation during a private counseling session or a group, joint, or family counseling session and that are separate from the rest of the individual's medical records. Excluded from the "Psychotherapy Notes" definition are the following: (a) medication prescription and monitoring, (b) counseling session start and stop times, (c) the modalities and frequencies of treatment furnished, (d) the results of clinical tests, and (e) any summary of: diagnosis, functional status, the treatment plan, symptoms, prognosis, and progress to date.

In order for a medical provider to release "Psychotherapy Notes" to a third party, the client who is the subject of the Psychotherapy Notes must sign this authorization to specifically allow for the release of Psychotherapy Notes. <u>Such authorization must be separate from</u> an authorization to release other medical records.

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Notice of Privacy Practices

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

Fern Counseling Therapy Services (FCTS) understands that health information about you is personal. We are committed to protecting the privacy of your health information by complying with applicable federal and state privacy and confidentiality laws.

Your health record contains personal information about you and your health. This information, which may identify you and relates to your past, present or future mental and/or physical health is referred to as Protected Health Information (PHI). This Notice of Privacy Practices describes how we may use and disclose your PHI in accordance with applicable law. It also describes your rights regarding how you may gain access to and control your PHI.

FC is required by law to maintain the privacy of PHI and to provide you with notice of its legal duties and privacy practices with respect to PHI. We are required by law to abide by the terms of this Notice of Privacy Practice. We reserve the right to change the terms of our Notice of Privacy Practices at any time. Any new Notice of Privacy Practices will be effective for all PHI that we maintain at that time. We will provide you with a copy of the revised Notice of Privacy Practice by sending a copy to you in the mail upon request or providing one to you at your next appointment. We are also required to notify you if there is a breach of your health information.

FCTS Uses and Disclosures

Treatment, Payment and Health Care Operations

FCTS may use or disclose your protected health information (PHI), for treatment, payment, and health care operations purposes with your general consent. To help clarify these terms, here are some definitions and explanations as they relate to our practice:

- PHWE refers to information in your health record that could identify you.
- Treatment is when we provide, coordinate, or manage your health care and other services related to your health care. An example of treatment would be when we consult with another health care provider, such as your family physician.
- · Payment is when we obtain reimbursement from insurance companies for your healthcare.
- Health Care Operations are activities that relate to the performance and operation of our practice. Examples of health care operations are quality assessment and improvement activities, business-related matters, such as audits and administrative services, and case management and care coordination.
- Use applies only to activities within our practice such as sharing, employing applying, utilizing, examining and analyzing information that identifies you.
- Disclosure applies to activities outside of our practice such as releasing, transferring or providing access to information about you to other parties.

Requiring Your Authorization

Fern Counseling Therapy Services (FCTS) may use or disclose your PHI for purposes outside of treatment, payment or health care operations listed above when your appropriate authorization is obtained. An "authorization" is written permission above and beyond the general consent that permits only specific disclosures. In those instances, when we are asked for information for purpose outside of treatment, payment or health care operations, we will obtain an authorization from you before releasing this information. We also will need to obtain an authorization before releasing any psychotherapy notes we may have taken in our sessions. "Psychotherapy notes" are notes we have made about our conversation during an individual, couples, family or group psychotherapy session, which we have kept separate from the rest of your medical record. These notes are given a greater degree of protection than PHI.

You may revoke all such authorizations of your PHI at any time, provided each revocation is in writing. You may not revoke an authorization to the extent that (1) we have relied on that authorization; or (2) if the authorization was obtained as a condition of obtaining insurance coverage, and the law provides the insurer the right to contest the claim under the policy.

Requiring Neither Your Consent nor Your Authorization

In general, the law protects the privacy of communication between a client and a therapist. FCTS can only release information about your treatment to others if you sign a release of information form. You can revoke any such authorization at any time in writing. However, in the following situations your authorization is not required for FC to release information:

• When we have our client's written authorization to do so.

Notice of Privacy Practices Continued

- Therapist's duty to warn another in the case of potential suicide, homicide or threat of imminent, serious harm to another individual.
- Therapist's duty to report suspicion of abuse or neglect of children or vulnerable adults.
- Therapist's duty to report prenatal exposure to cocaine, heroin, phencyclidine, methamphetamine, amphetamine or their derivatives, THC, and excesses and habitual use of alcohol.
- Therapist's duty to report the misconduct of mental health or health care professionals.
- Therapist's duty to provide a spouse or parent of a deceased client access to their child or spouse's records.
- Therapist's duty to release records if subpoenaed by the courts.
- Therapist's obligations to contracts (e.g. to employer of client, worker's compensation).
- Therapist's duty to provide parents of minor children access to their child's records. Minor clients can request, in writing, that particular information be disclosed to parents. Such a request should be discussed with the therapist.

Please discuss any questions or concerns you have about confidentiality with your psychotherapist at any time. If you have specific legal questions about the law regarding confidentiality, the exceptions and how it may relate to your situation, please seek formal legal advice form an attorney.

Client Rights and Responsibilities

When it comes to your health information, you have certain rights. This section explains your rights and some of FCTS's responsibilities to help you.

Right to inspect and copy of your mental health and billing records.

- You can inspect or obtain a copy (or both) of PHI in our mental health and billing records used to make decisions for as long as long as the PHI is maintained in the record.
- We may deny your access to PHI under certain circumstances, but in some cases, you may have this
 decision reviewed.
- We will provide a copy or a summary of your therapy within a reasonable time.

Right to amend a therapy record.

- You can ask us to correct health information about you that you think is incorrect or incomplete.
- · We may deny your request.
- On your request, FCTS will discuss with you the details of the amendment process.

Right to request and receive confidential communications by alternative means and alternative locations.

· We will agree to all reasonable requests.

Right to request restrictions.

- · You can request restriction on certain uses and disclosures of your protected health information.
- We are not required to agree to your request, and we may deny your request if it would affect your care.
- If you pay for a service or health care item out-of-pocket in full, you can ask us not to share that information for the purpose of payment with health insurer. We will agree to this request unless a law requires us to share that information.

Right to an accounting.

- You generally have the right to receive an accounting or list of those with whom we have shared information about you without your consent or authorization.
- You may also request why we shared information with them (i.e. billing, mandated reporting etc.)

Right to request a paper copy of this notice.

You can request a copy of this privacy notice at any time, even if you have agreed to receive the notice
electronically. You will also be given a copy at your first meeting. Right to file a complaint if you feel your
rights have been violated.

If you disagree with a decision we have made regarding your rights, please contact Fern Counseling, 763-222-5327, so we can discuss your concerns and respond appropriately.

If you believe your privacy rights have been violated and wish to file a complaint, you may do so with the US Department of Health and Human Services Office for Civil Rights by sending a letter to 200 Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 20201; calling 1-877-696-6775; or visiting http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/complaints/.

FCTS understands these rights and will not retaliate against you for filing a complaint.

Notice of Privacy Practices Continued

In addition to those rights and expectations mandated by federal, state and local law, FCTS also believes that, as a client, you have the right to know and inquire about the following:

- The cost of psychotherapy, time frame for payment, access to billing statements, billing procedure for missed appointments and any issues related to insurance coverage.
- When the therapist is available and where to call during off hours in case of an emergency.
- The manner in which the therapist conducts sessions concerning intake, treatment and termination. Clients may take an active role in the process by asking questions about relevant therapy issues, specifying therapeutic goals, and renegotiating goals when necessary.
- The nature and perspective of the therapist's work, including techniques used and alternative methods of treatment.
- The purpose and potential negative outcomes of treatment. Clients may refuse any treatment intervention or strategy.
- The anticipated length and frequency of treatment and limitations that may arise due to difficulties in financing.
- The liberty of clients to discuss any aspect of their therapy with others outside the therapy situation, including consultation with another therapist.
- The status of the therapist, including the therapist's training, credentials and years of experience.
- The maintenance of records, including security and length of time they are kept, client's rights to access personal records and release policies.
- The right to request a referral and the right to require the current therapist to send a written report regarding services to the qualified, referred therapist or organization upon the client's written authorization.
- The procedure followed in the event of the therapist's death/illness.
- Be aware of Privacy Practices and HIPAA regulations.
- According to Minnesota law, therapists must provide parents of minor children access to their child's records. The law also states that minor children can request, in writing, that particular information not be disclosed to their parents. Such a request should be discussed with the therapist.

Therapist Rights and Responsibilities

In addition to those rights and expectations mandated by federal, state and local law, FCTS also believes that, we have the responsibility to provide care appropriate to your situation, as determined by prevailing standards. To accomplish this goal, FCTS also has certain rights:

- Follow the NASW Code of Ethics in our professional practice.
- Follow Notice of Privacy Practices and HIPPA regulations.
- The right to information needed to provide appropriate care.
- The right to be reimbursed, as agreed, for services provided.
- The right to provide services in an atmosphere free of verbal, physical or sexual harassment.
- The right and ethical obligation to refuse to provide services which are not indicated.
- The right to change the terms of this notice at any time, with the understanding that we will inform our clients of any changes.

Acknowledgement of Receipt of HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices

This form is an agreement between you, and me. When I use the words "you" and "your" below, this can mean you, your child, a relative, or some other person if you have written the person's name here:

When I examine, test, diagnose, treat, or refer you, I will be collecting what the law calls "protected health information" (PHI) about you. I need to use this information in my office to decide on what treatment is best for you and to provide treatment to you. I may also share this information with others to arrange payment for your treatment, to help carry out certain business or government functions, or to help provide other treatment to you. By signing this form, you are also agreeing to let me use your PHI and to send it to others for the purposes described above. Your signature below acknowledges that you have read my notice of privacy practices, which explains in more detail what your rights are and how I can use and share your information.

If you do not sign this form agreeing to my privacy practices, I cannot treat you. In the future, I may change how I use and share your information, and I may change my notice of privacy practices. If I do change it, I will notify you.

Acknowledgement of HIPAA Continued

If you are concerned about your PHI, you have the right to ask me not to use or share some of it for treatment, payment, or administrative purposes. You will have to tell me what you want in writing. Although I will try to respect your wishes, I am not required to accept these limitations. After you have signed this consent, you have the right to revoke it by notice in writing. I will then stop using or sharing your PHI.

Date		
Signature:		
CAGE-AID Questionnaire		
Patient Name:		
When thinking about drug use, include illegal drug use and the use of prescription drugs other	than pres	scribed.
Questions:	YES	NO
 Have you ever felt that you ought to cut down on your drinking or drug use? Have people annoyed you by criticizing your drinking or drug use? 		
3. Have you ever felt bad or guilty about your drinking or drug use?		
4. Have you ever had a drink or used drugs first thing in the morning to steady your nerves or to get rid of a hangover?		
Date: Client Signature:		
COLUMBIA-SUICIDE SEVERITY RATING SCALE		
Client Name:		
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For the following questions, in the past 30 days have you experienced any following issues:	of the	
1) Wish to be Dood:		
1) Wish to be Dead: Person endorses thoughts about a wish to be dead or not alive anymore, or wish to fall asleep a	and not u	wake un
Have very	aria HUL V	wake up.

Have you
wished you
were dead or
wished you
could go to
sleep and
not wake
up?

2) Suicidal Thoughts:

General non-specific thoughts of wanting to end one's life/commit suicide, "I've thought about killing myself" without general thoughts of ways to kill oneself/associated methods, intent, or plan.

Have you actually had any thoughts of killing yourself?

If YES to 2, ask questions 3,4,5, and 6. If NO to 2, go directly to question 6.

3) Suicidal Thoughts with Method (without Specific Plan or Intent to Act):

Person endorses thoughts of suicide and has thought of at least one method during the assessment period. This is different than a specific plan with time, place or method details worked out.

"I thought about taking an overdose but I never made a specific plan as to when where or how I would actually do it...and I would never go through with it."

Have you
been Yes No
thinking
about how
you might
kill yourself?

4) Suicidal Intent (without Specific Plan):

Active suicidal thoughts of killing oneself and patient reports having some intent to act on such thoughts, as opposed to "I have the thoughts but I definitely will not do anything about them."

Have you had these Yes No thoughts and had some intention of acting on them?

5) Suicide Intent with Specific Plan:

Thoughts of killing oneself with details of plan fully or partially worked out and persona has some intent to carry it out.

Have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to kill yourself? Do you intend to carry out this plan?

6) Suicide Behavior Question:

Have you
ever done
anything, Yes No
started to do
anything, or
prepared to
do anything
to end your
life?

Examples: Collected pills, obtained a gun, gave away valuables, wrote a will or suicide note, took out pills but didn't swallow any, held a gun but changed your mind or it was

grabbed from your hand, went to the roof but didn't jump; or actually took pills, tried to shoot yourself, cut yourself, tried to hang yourself, etc.

IF YES, ask:
How long

Over 1 year ago:

How long ago did you	Between 3 months and 1 year ago:
do any of these?	With the last 3 months:
Total Score:	

The following form is the World Health Organization Disability Assessment Schedule, also known as the "WHODAS 2.0." This form askes about difficulties due to health and mental health conditions. Health conditions include diseases or illnesses, other health problems that may be short or long lasting, injuries, mental or emotional problems, and problems with alcohol or drugs.

Think back of the **past 30 days** and answer these questions, thinking about how much difficulty you had doing the following activities.

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World	l Health Org	janization Di	sability	y Assessm	ent Sch	edule 2.0		
12-item v	version, self-admini	stered						
Patient	Name:							
Age:								
Sex:	M	ale Female						
For each	n question, pleas	e select only <u>one</u>	respons	e.				
each	scores assigned to of the items: AST 30 DAYS, ho	1 2	did you ha	3 ave in:	4	5	Raw Item Score	
S1	STANDING for LONG PERIODS	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme		
	such as 30 MINUTES?							
S2	Taking care of your HOUSEHOLD	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme		
	RESPONSIBIL ITIES?							
S3	LEARNING a NEW TASK, for example,	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme		
	learning how to get to a new place?							

S4	How much of a problem did you have in JOINING IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES (for example, festivities, religious, or other activities) in the same way as anyone else can?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
S5	How much have YOU been EMOTIONALL Y AFFECTED by your health condition?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
		ow much difficulty of					
S6	CONCENTRAT ING on doing something for TEN MINUTES?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
S7	WALKING A LONG DISTANCE such as a KILOMETRE [or equivalent]?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
S8	WASHING your WHOLE BODY?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
S9	Getting DRESSED?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
S10	DEALING with people YOU DO NOT KNOW?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
S11	MAINTAININ G A FRIENDSHIP?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
S12	Your day-to- day WORK?	None or can't do	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme	
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		, for how many day I activities or work				Record number of days	

	In the past 30 days, not countir for how many days did you CUT usual activities or work because	Record number of days		
Date	Client Signature:			

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