

This document is intended to provide important information to you regarding your treatment. Please read the entire document carefully and be sure to ask any questions that you may have regarding its contents.

Information about Kari Gallego, MFT

I hold a Bachelor of Arts degree from California State University, Chico where I graduated Cum Laude in 1991 and a Master of Arts degree from California State University, Sacramento where I graduated in 1995. I have been working in the mental health field since the early 1990's. I was licensed as a Marriage and Family Therapist in California in 2001 (License #: MFC38089) and opened my private practice that same year. I have served as part-time faculty at CSU, Sacramento where I have taught couples and family therapy to graduate students. Personally, I am married and have two children. If you have any questions about my background or experience, please feel free to ask.

Therapy

Therapy is a process that may lead to problem solving, resolving grief and loss issues, and reaching personal goals. You may experience changes that have benefits and risks, and such changes can effect how you relate to others. Moreover, changes in relationships may occur. Sometimes throughout the process, you may feel worse before you feel better. I trust that you will let me know when you are having unmanageable painful feelings and call 911 or go to the hospital should you be in crisis away from our sessions. Remember, therapy is a service that you pay for, and if you are not happy with the services received, please make that known so we can discuss any hindrances to your progress. I will also periodically provide feedback to you regarding your progress and will encourage your feedback, as well. I look forward to working with you.

Confidentiality & Secrets Policy

The law and ethics of psychotherapy protect your right to privacy. All communications made in session will be held in strict confidence unless you provide written permission to release information about your treatment. If you participate in marital or family therapy, I will not disclose confidential information about your treatment unless all parties participating in the treatment provide their written authorization to release. Exceptions to confidentiality include a therapist's mandate to report suspected neglect or abuse of a child, dependent adult, or elder. Additionally, therapists may be required or permitted to break confidentiality in order to protect due to reasonable belief that you are a danger to yourself or others.



• Scheduling & Cancellations

Sessions are typically scheduled weekly or bi-weekly and I will work with you to determine what is most appropriate for you based on your treatment plan. Your consistent attendance greatly contributes to a successful outcome. *If you are unable to keep a scheduled appointment, please provide me with notification at least 24 hours in advance. Without said notice, and in the absence of an obvious emergency, you will be charged my full fee for the missed session.*

• Fees

My standard fee is **\$200** per session for individuals, families, and couples. A session is typically 50-55 minutes in length. *Fees are payable at the time that services are rendered.* I accept cash, checks, debit and credit cards, Venmo and PayPal as payment. If needed, I may offer a sliding scale for individuals and/or families who are limited financially. Furthermore, I will offer referrals so that your counseling needs may be met by another, more affordable professional. I am not a contracted provider with any insurance company or managed care organization. If your insurance company will reimburse you for any portion of your treatment, I will gladly complete insurance claim forms for you to submit to your insurance company to seek reimbursement of fees already paid. If you wish to discuss a written agreement that specifies an alternative payment procedure, please do so prior to our session. If for some reason you find that you are unable to continue paying for your therapy, please inform me and I will help you consider any options that may be available to you at that time.

I provide telephone consultation as needed. Any phone call that exceeds five minutes in length will be charged at a rate of \$3.33/minute. The same rate applies to any written reports or summaries I provide at your request. My fee for time spent in court or testifying is \$350/hour.

Please initial here to indicate your agreement with the scheduling, cancellation, and fees policies

Your signature indicates that you have read this agreement for services carefully and understand its contents.

Signature of Client	Date	Kari Gallego, MFT	Date
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General Information							
Client(s) Date(s) of Birth							
Address		Telephone					
City		State			Zip		
If minor, please list legal guardian / parent							
Name		Telephone					
Name		Telephone					
Other Information							
Occupation		Religion					
Academic Information		l					
Current School Name		Current or Highest Grade Co	ompleted				
Marital Status		1					
Never Married	Divorced	Separated	U Wide	ow(er)	Number of Marriages		
Family Members							
Name	Age	Relationship	Relationship In the home				
Name	Age	Relationship		In the home			
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Medical Information							
Primary Care Physician	Phone						
Medication (prescribed by whom, medication name, dosage)							
Medical Conditions Date of Last Physical							
Alcohol Use (frequency / amount)							
Drug Use (non-prescribed street or over the counter)							
Therapy Information							
What would you like to discuss							
How long has this been going on							
Have you had previous therapy By Whom		When					
Emergency Contact							
Person to contact in case of emergency Phone							
Referral Source							
Referral Source							
Can I acknowledge the referral?							



Symptom Checklist

Please check the items that are currently causing you difficulty in your life:

Anger	Depression
Anxiety	Sex
Gambling	Alcohol
Codependency	Work-Related Stress
Parenting Issues	Legal Issues
Separation/Divorce	Affair
Abuse	Domestic Violence
Grief/Loss	Internet Addiction
Sexual Orientation/Sexuality	Eating/Weight Issue
 Relationship Problems with: Significant Other/Spouse Children Parents Siblings Friends Co-workers 	Drugs: Prescription Illegal substances