# Therapist Disclosure Statement Lorna Shepardson LMHC Therapy~N~Motion

### **Therapeutic Approach**

I believe in the wisdom of people to access their own innate ability to heal themselves and to come to their own clarity of self understanding. As a therapist, my goal is to join with you on your journey of self-discovery, empowerment and healing. My place in this relationship is to offer individual, family and group counseling from a client-centered, client-led perspective. I offer techniques from a variety of models rejecting a "one size fits all" approach. These include but are not limited to solution focused, cognitive-behavioral, family systems, and lifespan integration, equine assisted therapy, with an emphasis on mindfulness and the systemic approach.

#### Education

- Masters Degree, Applied Behavioral Science, Bastyr University/Leadership Institute of Seattle, Kenmore, WA
- Bachelors of Arts Degree Counseling, education and Art, The Evergreen State College Olympia WA

#### Risks and Benefits of Therapy

Clients typically experience positive results from the changes they make in their lives as a result of therapy. However it is not unusual for clients and/or their families to experience stress, anxiety and frustration or other changes as they begin to use new skills and change occurs. Generally this is a temporary stage. Typically clients report positive results from therapy including improved relationships, increased self-awareness, emotional release, improved coping skills and developing solutions to presenting problems.

#### Confidentiality

Information shared in the therapeutic session is confidential and protected by law and will be maintained, except in the following unusual circumstances, which I am bound by state law to report:

- 1. Statement of intent to harm others.
- 2. Evidence of Child Abuse.
- 3. Court-ordered presentation of treatment,
- \* Client confidences cannot be disclosed without a written authorization or waiver. As a professional requirement in the State of Washington I participate in continuing education and modalities of Best Practice.

## **Client Rights and Responsibilities**

If at any time you have questions or concerns regarding the course of therapy or any therapeutic approaches used. I encourage you to discuss them with me. Further I will assist you in a referral to an alternate provider given a need that arises that I determine is out of my scope of practice.

Iunderstand what has been outlined in it. I have consented		disclosure statement and bove named therapist.
Client Signature	_Date	
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	
Therapist Signature	Date	