

## Social Media Policy Agreement

### Client Information

Client's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
SS#: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Living with: \_\_\_\_\_

### Primary Responsible Party (Person responsible for any charges or fees)

Responsible Party: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Client: \_\_\_\_\_

### Social Media Policy

There are a range of social media platforms I use to provide information for the public about issues related to my practice, parenting teens and adolescent issues. These sites and applications are not intended to provide professional advice or to engage in psychotherapy.

#### Friend-ing

I do not accept friend or contact requests from current or former clients on any social networking site (e.g., Facebook, LinkedIn, etc.). Being "friends" or contacts on these sites can compromise your confidentiality and privacy.

#### Follow-ing

You are welcome to view, read and share postings on my Facebook, Google+, YouTube, Pinterest, Twitter and Instagram accounts (as well as any other social media accounts I maintain). However, I do not accept "follow" requests from former or current clients. In addition, I will not use the social media accounts of current or former clients. You have the right to keep your social media life private, even from me. Information about your online life will need to be provided to me directly.

### Social Media Interaction

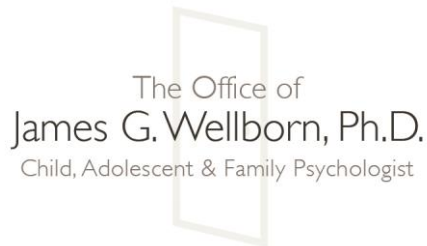
Please do not use contact forms on social media platforms to contact me. These sites are not secure and your confidentiality can be compromised. In addition, I might not read the messages you send in a timely manner. There are several ways you can contact me for issues related to our work, or potential work. These include office phone (615-370-2868), email through my professional web site (<http://drjameswellborn.com/contact/contact-form/>), direct email ([jamesgwellbornphd.office@comcast.net](mailto:jamesgwellbornphd.office@comcast.net)) and by calling or texting me on my cell phone (615-364-6493).

#### Use of Search Engines

It is not a regular part of my practice to use online search engines (e.g., Google, Safari, etc.) to search for information about clients. However, if I have reason to believe you are in danger, I might use a search engine to locate you or someone who can check on your safety.

#### Business Review Sites

Sites that list businesses and provide an opportunity to rate providers and add reviews (e.g., Yelp!, Healthgrades, Yahoo Local, Bing, etc.) are widely available online. Many of these sites comb search engines for business listings and automatically add listings regardless of whether the business requested the listing. If you find my listing on any of these sites, please know that the listing is NOT a request for a testimonial, rating or endorsement from you as my client. It is unethical for psychologists to solicit testimonials from current psychotherapy clients.



Of course you have the right to express yourself on any site you wish. You can share your personal information with anyone, including being in therapy with me. You are welcome to tell anyone you wish that I'm your therapist or how you feel about the treatment I provided you, in any forum you choose. Confidentiality means that I cannot tell people that you are my client. But, due to confidentiality, I cannot respond to any reviews on any of these sites whether it is positive or negative.

If you feel I have done something harmful or unethical and you do not feel comfortable discussing it with me, you can always contact the [Board of Examiners in Psychology](#) and they will review your concerns and take the appropriate action to address them.

**Location-Based Services**

Electronic devices are capable of broadcasting your location. If you have enabled GPS tracking on your device while at my office, this can present a privacy issue. People who have access to this information (including various apps and the phone carrier you use) can learn you are at my office. Please be aware of this risk to your privacy and confidentiality

Please sign below and indicate the date that you read and agreed to the conditions outlined above concerning Dr. Wellborn's social media policy. You may request a copy for your records.

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**Client Signature** **Date**

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**Signature of the Responsible Party** **Date** **(Relation to Client)**