

# Instructions and Tips for Videoconference Counseling through Doxy.me

Doxy.me is a secure HIPAA compliant telehealth service for health professionals including psychological counseling.

### To access your videoconference session, you need:

- 1. A fully charged computer, tablet or phone (computer works best)
- 2. An external or integrated webcam
- 3. An external or integrated microphone
- 4. A wireless internet connection with the bandwidth of at least 10 MBPS or connect to modem with ethernet cable (ethernet works best)

## Recommendations for client videoconference equipment and space:

- 1. Find a quiet uninterrupted space.
- 2. If possible, desktops computers and laptops tend to work better than iPads and smartphones.
- 3. If possible, sitting close to your modem or directly connect to your modem with an ethernet cable tends to work better.
- 4. Use headphones or earbuds during the session for more privacy.
- 5. Close any other open apps and programs on your computer to gain optimal processing power.
- 6. Turn off computer and phone notifications.
- 7. Sit facing indirect light as much as possible so that your face is visible to your therapist.
- 8. Adjust camera to establish natural eye contact with your therapist.
- 9. Unless otherwise arranged, children and other family members should not be present during the videoconference.
- 10. Wear clothes with solid colors to reduce pixel/bandwidth.
- 11. If you are not accustomed to videoconferencing, be compassionate with yourself as you adjust to the technology and the slightly different rhythm of conversation than a conversation in person.

#### Sign into your counselors Doxy.me waiting room

- 1. On the day and time of your scheduled appointment, sign into <a href="https://doxy.me/center4compassion">https://doxy.me/center4compassion</a> using a Google Chrome, Firefox or Safari browser on your laptop or desktop computer that has both a camera and a mic.
- 2. The link will bring you to a prompt where you type in your name and a passcode. The Passcode is 4140.
- 3. Doxy.me has the capability of taking payment through credit card after our meeting.

## **Protocol for Technical Failure:**

- 1. If equipment or transmission failure occurs, first disconnect and attempt to reconnect with Doxy.me using the link <a href="https://doxy.me/center4compassion">https://doxy.me/center4compassion</a>.
- 2. If unsuccessful, please call or your therapist. We will then work together to try to resolve the technical issue if possible.
- 3. If the technical issue is not resolved, together we may decide to complete the meeting on the phone, or together we may decide to postpone for another day.
- 4. Please call Carema Cook Masaud, at 720.480.6633 with questions or concerns. Please remember Carema does not have access to any of the technical information for use of Doxy.me.
- 5. If you like, you may go to help.doxy.me to gain more technical support. https://doxy.me/en/patients/