Emotion Speaks

Dr Anna Oldershaw's Therapy information Pack

Please find below an accessible summary of key therapy business terms for quick reference for new starters or for those already receiving therapy who wish to check important details. Please note, this information pack is not a replacement for the full business terms which are available on the Emotion Speaks website or available offline from Dr Anna Oldershaw. You will be asked to please also refer and agree to those full business terms before beginning therapy.

Therapy location

Therapy is available online or in person.

- ⇒ Online therapy will take place video zoom video platform unless otherwise specified. You will receive an online link to your session via email at least 24 hours in advance of your appointment time.
- \Rightarrow In person therapy will take place at our business address, unless otherwise specified:

Fern House, 119A Wickenden Road, Sevenoaks, TN13 3PW

Fees

Self-funded sessions are charged at £130 for a 50-minute therapy appointment.

Fees are payable in advance before each session by BACS payment

Name: Dr Anna Oldershaw

Sort Code: 04-03-33 Account Number: 46776310

- You will be invoiced for your sessions on the Friday of the week before an agreed session
- This is payable immediately and no later than 48 hours before your agreed session.
- Please use the reference on your invoice to enable your payment to be easily confirmed.
- For clients with an agreed therapy plan, other invoicing arrangements such as paying monthly can be discussed.

Bupa-funded sessions require your Bupa pre-authorisation code before sessions begin; I am not privy to your agreement with Bupa, and you will be responsible for the full fee for any sessions that Bupa does not cover.

Cancellation Policy

• I request 48 hours' notice of session cancellation please.

- If you Cancel with less than 48 hours' notice you will be charged the full amount for the session.
- Where possible, I will endeavour to offer you an alternative appointment during the same week.

Holidays

I will aim to give you at least 2 weeks' notice of any holiday dates during which I will be unavailable. Where possible, I request at least 2 weeks' notice of holidays from you.

Therapy notes

I will keep short session notes which are stored securely and in compliance with GDPR. All of my IT systems are GDPR compliant, and I am registered with the ICO as is required of me.

Alternative support and crisis help

I am not able to offer crisis support. There are plenty of other agencies and support available to help and I strongly encourage you to reach out to one of the following if needed between our sessions.

NHS Emergency and Urgent Care: Call 111 or 999 (or visit A&E)

Samaritans: Available for free support 24 hours a day 365 days a year.

Visit <u>www.samaritans.org</u>

Call 116 123

Kent & Medway Urgent Mental Health Support: For adults living in the Kent area, available 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

Visit www.kmpt.nhs.uk/information-and-advice/the-kent-and-medway-urgent-mental-health-helpline/

Call 0800 783 9111

B-EAT: Available for free eating disorder specific support 365 days a year from 9am – midnight on weekdays and 4pm – midnight on weekends/bank holidays.

Visit <u>www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk</u>

Email <u>help@beateatingdisorders.org.uk</u>

Call 0808 801 0677

Alcoholics Anonymous:

Visit <u>www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk</u>

Call 0800 9177650 (England)

Childline: Available for children to access free support, help and advice 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

Visit <u>www.childline.org.uk</u>

Call 0800 1111

Professional registrations and ethics

I am registered as a Practitioner Psychologist with my regulatory body the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC). I am also registered as a Chartered Psychologist with the British Psychological Society (BPS). I abide by the Ethical Principles and Codes of Conduct set by both bodies. I am certified as a therapist and supervisor and trainer in Emotion Focused Therapy by the International Society of Emotion Focused Therapy. I am certified as a therapist in Schema Therapy by the International Society of Schema Therapy.

Confidentiality

- The information discussed in our consultations and appointments are of a confidential nature. We provide a safe place in which you [or your child] can share your feelings and thoughts with us.
- If I believe you are at risk of harming yourself or others, I reserve the right to report this to relevant organisations. Where possible, I would always discuss this with you first.
- It is a requirement for all psychological therapists to have regular Clinical Supervision sessions in which they discuss their work in a safe confidential space with an equally or more experienced colleague bound by all the same legal obligations as me. This supervision helps me to work to the highest standard possible and to support you as best as I can.

Endings

Endings of therapy are always explicitly discussed and kept on the agenda throughout therapy. You are entitled to end therapy whenever you would like to, and I encourage you to be open about this as much as you feel able. I always welcome discussion of any worries or concerns. Where it differs from what is previously planned, I recommend that we have at least 2 weeks' notice of ending to enable us to process the relationship ending and to make plans of how to support your continuing post therapy progress.