



At-Home Child Therapy Policy

Policy Statement:

At-home child therapy refers to therapy sessions provided to children starting under the age of 12 within the comfort of their own residence. This policy outlines the guidelines and expectations for at-home child therapy sessions conducted at Intersection Therapy & Advocacy.

Client Eligibility:

1. Child clients must be under 12 years of age at the start of therapy.
2. Caregiver(s) must provide a specific need related to at-home therapy, such as sensory challenges, trauma history, or limited physical mobility. If you are unsure whether your child meets these criteria, please arrange a consultation to discuss eligibility.
3. A virtual intake session must take place with the caregiver(s) to confirm eligibility before scheduling the first in-home session.
4. Ultimately, the therapist will make the final decision regarding eligibility for At-Home Child Therapy based on all clinical and practical factors. This eligibility may be changed if new information arises.

Assessment and Safety:

Before commencing at-home child therapy, an assessment of the child's home environment will be conducted between the caregiver(s) and therapist to ensure it meets safety and privacy standards.

Safety considerations include ensuring a private or semi-private space, free of any potential hazards, must be available for therapy sessions.

The therapist will communicate any safety concerns with the child's caregiver(s) and collaborate on solutions to mitigate potential risks.

Informed Consent:

The caregiver(s) of children participating in at-home child therapy services will be required to sign a separate informed consent form (provided by Intersection Therapy & Advocacy) that outlines the



specifics of conducting therapy within their residence. This form will include details on confidentiality, potential risks, and safety measures related to at-home child therapy.

The caregiver(s) will review and sign an additional liability waiver (provided by Intersection Therapy & Advocacy) pertaining to at-home child therapy.

Session Structure:

At-home child therapy sessions will be structured to meet the unique needs of the child, with a focus on engagement and comfort.

The therapist will bring any necessary therapy materials or tools to the child's residence.

The caregiver(s) must ensure the availability of a suitable space for therapy sessions, meeting the specified requirements.

Cancellations and Rescheduling:

Caregivers are expected to adhere to the same Cancellation Policy, providing advance notice as needed.

The therapist may need to reschedule or cancel sessions in the event of emergencies or unforeseen circumstances, in which case the caregiver(s) will be promptly notified.

Fees and Billing:

Fees for at-home child therapy sessions will be discussed and agreed upon during the initial consultation or as part of the therapy agreement with the caregiver(s).

In addition to session fees, additional fees apply to cover the therapist's travel time and costs associated with at-home therapy. These additional travel fees are usually not reimbursable through insurance or private health coverage.

Caregiver at Residence:

Regardless of the session structure (child only, caregiver and child together, or caregiver only), caregivers must remain on the premises of the residence for the full duration of each session.



Communication Protocol:

A clear and efficient communication protocol will be established between the therapist and caregivers, including the preferred method of contact and expected response times.

Expectations for Caregiver Involvement:

Caregivers are expected to actively participate and collaborate in their child's therapy process, as discussed and agreed upon with the therapist.

Confidentiality Measures:

The therapist's commitment to maintaining confidentiality within the home environment will be upheld, ensuring the privacy of all therapy-related discussions and activities. The caregiver(s) will need to review and sign the [Child Client Consent, Confidentiality, and Safety Form](#) which further outlines confidentiality requirements and expectations with child clients.

Emergency Procedures:

A plan for handling emergencies during home-based sessions is outlined in the [In-Home Therapy Services Liability Agreement](#), including contact information for local emergency services.

Cultural Sensitivity and Inclusivity:

The therapist is dedicated to providing culturally sensitive and inclusive therapy services, respecting caregivers' cultural preferences and considerations. It is the caregiver's responsibility to inform the therapist of any particular cultural practices related to at-home child therapy.

Client Education:

Clients are encouraged to engage in open dialogue and proactive communication with their therapists regarding this policy to ensure that their unique needs, preferences, and concerns are addressed in therapy.



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Updates and Amendments:

Clients will be informed of any updates or amendments to this policy, including how changes will be communicated and the effective date of any policy revisions.

Policy Review:

This policy may be subject to periodic review and updates to ensure its effectiveness and alignment with our commitment to providing quality online therapy services.

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