

Salem Counseling Center, PLLC

Website Privacy Policy

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This website (www.salemcounselingctr.com; hereinafter referred to as the "Site") is owned and managed by Salem Counseling Center, PLLC ("SCC"). SCC makes every reasonable effort to keep your personal information protected and private. We provide this explanation of online information practices to help you better understand the risks involved in digital communications and ways in which you can remain protected while using SCC's online resources. Your use of the Site does not in and of itself constitute a therapeutic relationship with any SCC staff, and does not fall within the parameters of SCC clinical policies.

1. USE AND COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

We collect specific information about visitors to the Site so that we can provide an experience that is responsive to our users' and customers' needs. We do not collect medical information or credit card information through our Site. The Site may use forms in which you give us contact information (including your name, address, telephone number, and email address) so you can request information or support. You do not need to give us any personal information in order to use the Site.

We will not sell, share, trade or otherwise use any information you provide unless you expressly provide in writing permission for such use. We collect this information to improve our service, and to help us determine your needs so we may better serve our clients and Site users individually, as well as collectively.

We will not sell, share, trade or otherwise use any medical information under any circumstances. If you require medical information, you must request it from us directly via a Medical Release form.

We may also collect non-personally identifiable information about you, such as your use of our web sites, communication preferences, aggregated data relative to your Services, and responses to promotional offers and surveys. We may use or disclose aggregate information only where no individual is identified for a number of purposes, including: (a) Compiling aggregate statistics of usage for improving the Site; (b) Developing, maintaining and administering the Site; and (c) Following up on comments and other messages that you submit to us through the Site.

Please note, to better safeguard your information, please do not include any credit card information in your electronic communication unless it is specifically required by us as part of Services or transaction fulfillment process sites, or our customer contact process.

This Site and our Services may contain links to other websites. Unfortunately, we are not responsible for the privacy practices or the content of such sites.

2. SECURITY

This Site has security measures in place to protect against the loss, misuse or alteration of the information under our control. If our site allows you to enter sensitive information (such as a credit card number), the transmission of that information is encrypted using Secure Socket Layer technology (SSL). A Secure Socket Layer allows Site visitors to view the Site over an HTTPS connection. This secures the connection between compatible browsers and the Site. A list of browsers not compatible with SSL technology is provided below:

Unsupported browsers include:

- Google Chrome versions older than 6
- Internet Explorer versions older than 7
- Firefox versions older than 2.0
- Safari versions older than 2.1
- All versions of Internet Explorer on Windows XP

Unsupported mobile browsers include:

- Safari browsers running on an iOS version older than 4.0
- Android browsers running on a version older than 3.0 (Honeycomb)
- Windows Phone browsers running on a version older than 7

We may also at times provide information about you to third parties to provide various services on our behalf, such as providers who process credit card payments. We will only share information about you that is necessary for the third party to provide the requested service. These companies are prohibited from retaining, sharing, buying, selling, storing or using your personally identifiable information for any secondary purposes.

We follow generally accepted standards to protect the personal information submitted to us, both during transmission and once we receive it. **No method of transmission over the Internet, or method of electronic storage, is one hundred percent (100%) secure, however. Therefore, we cannot guarantee its absolute security.**

3. COOKIES AND USE OF THIRD PARTY ANALYTICS

We may use a tool called “Google Analytics” to collect information about use of this Site, such as how often users visit the Site, what pages they visit when they do so, and what other sites they used prior to coming to this Site. Google Analytics collects only the IP address assigned to you on the date you visit this Site, rather than your name or other identifying information.

Google Analytics plants a permanent “cookie” on your web browser to identify you as a unique user the next time you visit this Site. **This cookie cannot be used by anyone but Google, Inc.** The information generated by the cookie will be transmitted to and stored by Google on servers in the United States.

We use the information received from Google Analytics only to improve services on this Site. We do not combine the information collected through the use of Google Analytics with personally identifiable information.

Google’s ability to use and share information collected by Google Analytics about your visits to this Site is restricted by the Google Privacy Policy <http://www.google.com/policies/privacy>. You can prevent Google Analytics from recognizing you on return visits to this Site by disabling the Google Analytics cookie on your browser. Taking this action may negatively impact your ability to effectively utilize some features of the Site and other websites you visit.

4. COLLECTION & USE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION OF CHILDREN UNDER AGE 13

We are committed to protecting the online privacy of children. In accordance with the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (“COPPA”), we do not knowingly collect any personally identifiable information from children under the age of thirteen (13) without first obtaining parental consent. Prior to providing any personally identifiable information (your name, email address, address, phone number etc.), children under the age of thirteen (13) must have a parent or legal guardian complete and return (in person, by email, or by regular mail) a Parental Consent Form to office@salemcounselingctr.com or

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The consent form states that the child’s “Parent” or “Legal Guardian”, by his or her signature, consents to the collection and transfer of the child’s personally identifiable information. Consent may be revoked by completing a “Revocation of Parental Consent Form” and sending it to the email or physical mailing address above. In compliance with COPPA, We are sensitive about children consulting with parents or guardians before furnishing personal information or ordering anything online.

It is also our intention to adhere to the Children’s Advertising Review Unit (CARU) Guidelines on Internet advertising with its special sensitivities regarding solicitations to children under thirteen (13). We encourage parents/guardians to supervise and join their children in exploring cyberspace.

5. TRANSFER OF DATA ABROAD

If you are visiting the Site from a country other than the country in which our servers are located, your communications with us may result in the transfer of information across international boundaries. By visiting this Site and communicating electronically with us, you consent to such transfers.

6. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

We cooperate with government and law enforcement officials and private parties to enforce and comply with the law. We will disclose any information about you to government or law enforcement officials or private parties as we, in our sole discretion, believe necessary or appropriate to respond to claims and legal process (including without limitation subpoenas), to protect our property and rights or the property and rights of a third party, to protect the safety of the public or any person, or to prevent or stop activity we consider to be illegal or unethical. We will also share your information to the extent necessary to comply with ICANN's rules, regulations and policies.

To the extent we are legally permitted to do so, we will take reasonable steps to notify you in the event that we are required to provide your personal information to third parties as part of legal process.

7. CHANGES IN OUR PRACTICES

We reserve the right to modify this Privacy Policy at any time. If we decide to change our Privacy Policy, we will post those changes to this Privacy Policy and any other places we deem appropriate, so that you are aware of what information we collect, how we use it, and under what circumstances, if any, we disclose it.

If we make material changes to this Policy, we will notify you here, by email, or by means of a notice on our home page, at least thirty (30) days prior to the implementation of the changes.

8. CORRECTING, UPDATING AND REMOVING PERSONAL INFORMATION

You may alter, update or deactivate your account information or opt out of receiving communications from us at any time. You may do this by sending an email to office@salemcounselingctr.com or you may send mail to

Salem Counseling Center, PLLC
Attn: Account Alterations
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We will respond to your request for access or to modify or deactivate your information within thirty (30) days.

9. CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy, the practices of this Site or within our Services, your dealings with this Site or our Services, please contact us by email or regular mail at the following addresses:

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