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I would like to tell you a little bit about myself. I am a licensed social worker. I earned a master's degree in Social Work from the University of Pittsburgh and a bachelor's degree in psychology from Penn State.

For over nine years, I worked at the Butler Family Counseling Center. My caseload was general and I developed expertise in many arenas, including depression, anxiety, panic and marital and family problems. I opened my private practice in August, 1998.

I am a member of the National Association of Social Workers and abide by the NASW's Code of Ethics.

If you need to speak to me between sessions, you may call and leave a message on voice mail. Messages are checked several times a day. The last message check is at the end of the business day. If an urgent situation arises and you are unable to wait until your call is returned, please call the CRR Crisis Line 1-800-292-3866 or 9-1-1. If you are in a life threatening situation, please go to the nearest emergency department at a hospital.

Twenty-four hours is required for cancellation of a scheduled appointment. There is a full fee charge for a no show and half fee for a late cancel. We will discuss why a late cancel or no-show occurred. Insurance benefits rarely cover this type of fee, making you the responsible party for it. Please call anytime to cancel your appointment as my voicemail answers twenty-four hours a day.

There will be a \$25.00 charge for bad checks.

Everyone is welcome regardless of race, nationality, sexual preference, physical challenges, religion or creed. This is an equal opportunity counseling facility.

Confidentiality will be strictly adhered to, as it is the cornerstone of the therapeutic relationship. I will not break confidentiality without your written consent. The exception to this standard is: if in an emergency, if your life or health or the life and health of others are in immediate danger, I will provide information to the proper authorities

without your permission, if I am unable to obtain it from you. If this occurs, I will discuss this as soon as possible with you.