

Addendum to Disclosure Statement

This addendum to my published disclosure statement is provided to clients if they disclose identify themselves as kinky. They may seek or accept invitations to organized public events or private gatherings in which BDSM, fetish-oriented and erotic adult play (kink) activity occurs.

As an invitee, paid guest or in an educational presenter role, it is possible that I might attend the same event without knowing that my client is also attending. This disclosure statement addresses situations where there is advance notice of this, and where there is not.

Risk disclosure

Any non-professional relationship between clinician and client risks compromising the client's mental health, the clinician's integrity or the effectiveness of treatment. It is known as a "dual relationship". Also at risk is the client's confidentiality as a party receiving mental health care. Additionally, there is the risk of eroding the prohibition against erotic or sexual relationship, and/or activity, between clinician and client.

Code of Ethics

I interpret my professional [Code of Ethics](#) to hold that a clinician-client contact, outside of office appointments, requires the client & clinician to have a discussion. If this occurs before the fact, subject to the client reading this addendum, the clinician will issue a written understanding for the client's review. After any such contact, the clinician will issue documentation within 72 hrs.

Advance notice

If my client gives me advance notice that they are not comfortable with my attendance, I will not to attend that event, unless I am contracted as an event educator.

If my client agrees that my attendance is acceptable to them:

- I will not act or speak in ways which might allow third parties to detect the existence of a professional relationship with my client.
- I will avoid any direct contact of any kind, and minimize indirect contact
- If my client has a change of mind and requests my departure, I will do so, as long as any contracted education duties are finished.

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Coincidental occurrence

If I coincidentally attend the same event as a client and we recognize the other's presence, I will leave if that is the client's wish.

If I am contracted as an event educator, I will fulfill those duties and then leave.

My client is in charge of the time it takes for them to communicate to me, as I cannot control when or how that communication occurs.

Communication can include a non-verbal message requesting my departure or accepting my presence. Or, it could be about having a private (or covert) verbal discussion that is arranged non-verbally or covertly.

In either event, I will bring up the occurrence at the next scheduled appointment to allow processing of any related feelings and thoughts.

Client preference

After reviewing this addendum, clients can choose their preferences for how to manage this issue, addressing either or both "advance notice" and/or "Coincidental Occurrence". By informing me, I can document our understanding.