

1. Confidentiality Agreement: Every Daystar client has the right to confidentiality by the Daystar Counseling Staff, Interns, Volunteer Leaders, and other Daystar group members. Your right to confidentiality in a Daystar group is a shared effort of each member and leader. Daystar Counselors and Counseling Interns are legally obligated not to disclose any information regarding group or group members. However, communication by group members is not a legal responsibility. In a Daystar Group, we all share the effort to keep what each other shares confidential that is based on a deep level of respect and trust.
2. Groups Off Site: With groups the **counselors will hold sessions or a part of a session in a public location** as a part of the therapeutic process. Conversations in public will be limited to information the child feels comfortable sharing and every effort will be made to have any type of personal conversation out of earshot of any bystanders. However, there are inherent risks in public locations that conversations intended to be private and confidential may inadvertently be overheard by someone else.
3. Informed Consent: Daystar follows the legal, ethical, and professional standards related to confidentiality. There are some exceptions to confidentiality where a Daystar Counselor would have to contact a parent/authorities such as:
  - a. If a group member becomes a danger to himself/herself or another person
  - b. If knowledge is attained regarding abuse/neglect of a minor
  - c. Responding to a legal issue/court subpoena or other legal matter

As a member of a Daystar Group, I agree to not share any names, details, or personal descriptions about any group members or group content. This would include names, descriptions, or any specific information about the content of group. As a group member or parent of a child in a Daystar group, I also agree to:

\_\_\_ Come regularly to group, stay the entire session, and be on time.

\_\_\_ Inform the Daystar Counselor or Front Office if I am going to miss group with as much notice as possible.

\_\_\_ Cooperate if my Daystar Group Counselor asks me to take a break from group for a period of time for several reasons (group readiness, behavior, etc) and meet for 1/1 for individual counseling instead.

\_\_\_ Treat each member and counselor with kindness, respect, and care.

4. \_\_\_ **As a Parent of a child in a Daystar Group, I agree to respect the confidentiality Agreement set up for my child's group.**

By signing below, I am stating I have read and understand the Daystar Group Counseling Agreements. I also understand I can ask my Daystar Counselor any questions I have about group, group agreements, and confidentiality.

Group Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_