

**DISCLOSURE FORM**

Clients must review and acknowledge this information in writing before services begin.

Denver Psychotherapy Group is a group private practice specializing in psychotherapy, assessment, and forensic psychology services. The group practice has three therapists including Hilary Morris, LPC, Mary Aragon, LPC, LAC, and Michaela Olson, MA, Registered Psychotherapist. The group practice NPI number is 1609363027. Below is information about each of the therapists and private practice policies.

1. Hilary Morris is a Licensed Professional Counselor licensed by the State of Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies, License No. LPC.0013476. Ms. Morris' business address is 355 S. Teller St, #200, Lakewood, CO 80226. Ms. Morris' phone number is 303-231-1015.
2. Ms. Morris holds a Bachelor's Degree in Communication from the University of Colorado-Boulder and a Master of Arts degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Denver Seminary. Ms. Morris has obtained 2,000 clock hours of post-degree experience and 100 clock hours of supervision over a period of at least two years. Ms. Morris has passed the National Counseling Examination and the Colorado Mental Health Profession's Jurisprudence Examination. She is also a National Certified Counselor licensed by the National Board of Certified Counselors, License No. 329455.
3. Mary Aragon, LPC, LAC is a clinical mental health therapist providing psychotherapy services at Hilary Morris LPC, LLC Mary Aragon, LPC, LAC earned her Bachelor of Art Degree in Psychology from the California State University, Sacramento in 1989. She earned her master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Walden University in Minneapolis, MN in 2015. Mary is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC, License #LPC.0014044) and a Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC, License #ACD.0000689) in the state of Colorado.
4. Michaela Olson, MA is a Registered Psychotherapist listed in the State's database and is authorized by law to practice psychotherapy in Colorado. Her license number is NLC.0109025. She bills under the group practice NPI of 1609363027. She received her Bachelor of Science in Psychology from the University of Colorado-Denver and is currently a Chi Sigma Iota member, which is the Honor Society for Professional Counseling. Her clinical supervisor is Hilary Morris, LPC who is the owner and senior therapist of Hilary Morris, LPC. She has completed a 600-hour clinical fieldwork course and obtained a Master's of Science in Clinical Counseling through Capella University in 2021.
5. The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies has the general responsibility of regulating this practice, and the practice of licensed professional counselors, licensed marriage and family counselors, certified or licensed addiction counselors and supervisors, and unlicensed psychotherapists. The difference between the levels of regulation applicable to mental health professionals under the Mental Health Practice Act and the differences between licensure, registration and certification, including the educational, experience, and training requirements applicable to the particular level of regulation are as follows:
  - A Registered Psychotherapist is a psychotherapist listed in the State's database and is authorized by law to practice psychotherapy in Colorado, but is not licensed by the state and is not required to satisfy any standardized educational or testing requirements to obtain a registration from the state.
  - A Certified Addiction Counselor I (CAC I) must be a high school graduate or equivalent, complete required training hours and 1,000 hours of supervised experience.
  - A Certified Addiction Counselor II (CAC II) must be a high school graduate or equivalent, complete the CAC I requirements, and obtain additional required training hours, 2,000 additional hours of supervised experience, and pass a national exam.
  - A Certified Addiction Counselor III (CAC III) must have a bachelor's degree in behavioral health, complete CAC II requirements, and complete additional required training hours, 2,000 additional hours of supervised experience, and pass a national exam.
  - A Licensed Addiction Counselor must have a clinical master's degree, meet the CAC III requirements, and pass a national exam.
  - A Licensed Social Worker must hold a master's degree from a graduate school of social work and pass an examination in social work.
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- A Licensed Clinical Social Worker must hold a master's or doctorate degree from a graduate school of social work, practiced as a social worker for at least two years, and pass an examination in social work.
  - A Psychologist Candidate, a Marriage and Family Therapist Candidate, and a Licensed Professional Counselor Candidate must hold the necessary licensing degree and be in the process of completing the required supervision for licensure.
  - A Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist must hold a master's or doctoral degree in marriage and family counseling, have at least two years post-master's or one-year post-doctoral practice, and pass an exam in marriage and family therapy.
  - A Licensed Professional Counselor must hold a master's or doctoral degree in professional counseling, have at least two years post-master's or one-year postdoctoral practice, and pass an exam in in professional counseling.
  - A Licensed Psychologist must hold a doctorate degree in psychology, have one year of post-doctoral supervision, and pass an examination in psychology.
6. The practice of licensed or registered persons in the field of psychotherapy is regulated by the Mental Health Licensing Section of the Division of Professions and Occupations. The agency within the department that has responsibility specifically for Licensed Professional Counselors is The State Board of Licensed Professional Counselor Examiners, 1560 Broadway, Suite 1350, Denver, CO 80202, (303) 894-7800.
7. The client is entitled to receive information about methods of therapy, the techniques used, the duration of therapy (if it can be determined) and fee structure. This information will be provided upon the client's request.
8. The client may seek a second opinion from another therapist and the client may terminate therapy at any time, unless otherwise prevented by law.
9. In a professional relationship, sexual intimacy is never appropriate and should be reported to the State Board of Licensed Professional Counselor Examiners, 1560 Broadway, Suite 1350, Denver, CO 80202, (303) 894-7800.
10. The information provided by the client during therapy sessions is legally confidential in the case of licensed marriage and family therapists, social workers, professional counselors, and psychologists; licensed or certified addiction counselors; and registered psychotherapists, except as provided in Section 12-43-218 of the Colorado Revised Statutes and except for certain legal exceptions that will be identified by Ms. Morris should any such situation arise during therapy. Some of these exceptions include the following:
- If the counselor suspects child abuse or neglect, the counselor must report it to the Colorado Department of Human Services and local law enforcement.
  - If the counselor believes the client is a danger to himself or herself or that the client is gravely disabled, the counselor must report it to the Colorado Department of Human Services and local law enforcement.
  - If the counselor believes the client is a danger to others, the counselor must report it to the Colorado Department of Human Services and local law enforcement.
  - If the counselor is ordered by a judge to release information about the client, the counselor must release the information per the judicial order.
  - If the client asks the counselor to file a claim with the client's insurance carrier, the counselor must release all information the insurance carrier requires to process the client's claim.
  - If the client or the client's heirs, executors, or administrators file a suit or complaint against the counselor regarding therapy, the counselor will release information the counselor deems necessary to defend against the suit or complaint.
  - If the client gives written permission for Release of Information (ROI) to another professional or designated individual, the counselor will release information as directed in the written permission.
11. If the client is involved in divorce or custody litigation, the therapist will not make recommendations to the court concerning custody or parenting issues. By signing this Disclosure Statement, the client agrees not to subpoena the therapist to court for testimony or for disclosure of treatment information in such litigation; and the client agrees not to request that the therapist write any reports to the court or to an attorney, making recommendations concerning custody. The court can appoint a professional, who have no prior relationship with family members, to conduct an investigation or evaluation and to make recommendations to the court concerning parental responsibilities or parenting time in the best interests of the family's children.

12. Payment is due at the time of session. Client will be provided with an invoice outlining charges for each session. The client is responsible for full payment for any services requested and accepted. The client also agrees to give 24 hours' notice in the event of a cancellation. If the client gives less than 24 hours' notice for a cancellation, the client is responsible for the whole cost of the session.
13. By signing this disclosure, the client acknowledges reading the preceding information. The client acknowledges receiving this information verbally from the counselor prior to the initiation of services. The client also acknowledges receipt of a copy of this Disclosure Statement. The client acknowledges being informed of the counselor's degrees, credentials and licenses.
14. The client's printed name and signature below indicates complete understanding his or her rights as a client.