

# TRAUMA-FOCUSED INTAKE EVALUATION

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Client Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_ Age: \_ Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Referral Source: \_\_\_\_\_

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## PRESENTING CONCERNS

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What brings you here today?

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**Current Trauma-Related Symptoms:** ☐ Intrusive memories/flashbacks ☐ Nightmares ☐ Avoidance behaviors ☐ Emotional numbing ☐ Hypervigilance ☐ Startle response ☐ Sleep disturbances ☐ Concentration problems ☐ Dissociation ☐ Panic attacks ☐ Depression ☐ Anxiety ☐ Anger/irritability ☐ Self-harm behaviors ☐ Substance use ☐ Relationship difficulties

**Symptom Onset:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Triggers (if known):** \_\_\_\_\_

## TRAUMA HISTORY

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*Note: We'll go at your pace. You only share what feels safe today.*

**Index Trauma (most distressing):** ☐ Childhood abuse (physical/sexual/emotional) ☐ Adult assault ☐ Domestic violence ☐ Combat exposure ☐ Serious accident ☐ Medical trauma ☐ Natural disaster ☐ Witnessing violence ☐ Death of loved one ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Age when occurred:** \_\_\_\_ **Duration:** \_\_\_\_

**Relationship to perpetrator (if applicable):** ☐ Stranger ☐ Acquaintance ☐ Family member ☐ Partner ☐ Authority figure

**Additional Traumatic Events:**

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**Childhood Adverse Experiences:** ☐ Physical abuse ☐ Sexual abuse ☐ Emotional abuse ☐ Physical neglect ☐ Emotional neglect ☐ Household dysfunction ☐ Substance abuse in home ☐ Mental illness in family ☐ Domestic violence ☐ Incarcerated family member

## TRAUMA SYMPTOMS ASSESSMENT

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**Re-experiencing (Intrusion):** ☐ Distressing memories ☐ Traumatic nightmares ☐ Flashbacks ☐ Psychological distress to reminders ☐ Physical reactions to reminders

**Avoidance:** ☐ Avoiding trauma-related thoughts/feelings ☐ Avoiding external reminders ☐ Avoiding people, places, activities ☐ Avoiding conversations about trauma

**Negative Alterations in Mood/Cognition:** ☐ Inability to remember important aspects ☐ Negative beliefs about self/world ☐ Distorted blame of self/others ☐ Persistent negative emotional state ☐ Diminished interest in activities ☐ Detachment from others ☐ Inability to experience positive emotions

**Alterations in Arousal/Reactivity:** ☐ Irritable/aggressive behavior ☐ Reckless/self-destructive behavior ☐ Hypervigilance ☐ Exaggerated startle ☐ Concentration problems ☐ Sleep disturbance

**Dissociative Symptoms:** ☐ Depersonalization ☐ Derealization ☐ Memory gaps ☐ "Spacing out" ☐ Feeling disconnected from body ☐ Time loss

## COPING AND RESILIENCE

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**Current Coping Strategies:** ☐ Talking to friends/family ☐ Exercise ☐ Creative activities ☐ Spiritual practices ☐ Journaling ☐ Breathing exercises ☐ Meditation ☐ Nature ☐ Pets ☐ Music ☐ Reading ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Unhealthy Coping:** ☐ Substance use ☐ Self-harm ☐ Isolation ☐ Workaholism ☐ Risky behaviors ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Protective Factors:** ☐ Strong support system ☐ Stable housing ☐ Financial security ☐ Spiritual beliefs ☐ Sense of purpose ☐ Previous therapy success ☐ Resilient personality ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## SAFETY ASSESSMENT

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**Current Safety:** ☐ Safe in current environment ☐ Safety concerns present Details: \_\_\_\_\_

**Self-Harm/Suicide Risk:** ☐ No current ideation ☐ Passive ideation ☐ Active ideation ☐ Plan/intent Protective factors: \_\_\_\_\_

**Risk to Others:** ☐ No concerns ☐ Concerns present Details: \_\_\_\_\_

## SUPPORT SYSTEM

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**Primary Support People:** Name: \_\_ **Relationship:** \_ **Helpful:** ☐ Yes ☐ No **Name:** \_\_  
Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Helpful: ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Family Relationships:** ☐ Supportive ☐ Neutral ☐ Strained ☐ Abusive ☐ No contact

**Disclosure of Trauma:** ☐ No one knows ☐ Few people know ☐ Support system aware  
Reactions received: \_\_\_\_\_

## PREVIOUS TREATMENT

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**Trauma-Specific Therapy:** ☐ None ☐ EMDR ☐ CPT ☐ PE ☐ TF-CBT ☐ Somatic therapies ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Helpful: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat

**Psychiatric Medication:** Current: \_\_\_\_\_ Helpful for trauma symptoms: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat

## CURRENT FUNCTIONING

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**Work/School Impact:** ☐ No impact ☐ Mild impact ☐ Moderate impact ☐ Severe impact  
Details: \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship Impact:** ☐ No impact ☐ Mild impact ☐ Moderate impact ☐ Severe impact  
Details: \_\_\_\_\_

**Daily Living Impact:** ☐ No impact ☐ Mild impact ☐ Moderate impact ☐ Severe impact  
Details: \_\_\_\_\_

## TREATMENT GOALS

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**What would you like to be different?** 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Therapy Preferences:** ☐ Talk therapy ☐ EMDR ☐ Body-based approaches ☐ Creative therapies ☐ Group therapy ☐ No preference

**Pace Preference:** ☐ Go slow ☐ Moderate pace ☐ Work intensively ☐ Let me decide

## CLINICAL NOTES

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**Trauma Presentation:**

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**Therapeutic Relationship Considerations:**

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**Treatment Recommendations:** ☐ Trauma-focused individual therapy ☐ EMDR ☐ Group therapy ☐ Psychiatric evaluation ☐ Medical evaluation ☐ Case management ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Frequency:** ☐ Weekly ☐ Bi-weekly ☐ As needed

**Estimated Treatment Duration:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Client Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Therapist Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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*This information is confidential and protected under HIPAA regulations. Trauma treatment will proceed at your pace with your full consent.*