

## **Privacy**

As a treating therapist, I am obliged to keep a client file in accordance with the WGBO (wet op de geneeskundige behandelingsovereenkomst) for proper therapy. The file contains notes and data from the intake and sessions.

Ensuring privacy is paramount. This means, among other things, that:

- Your personal and medical information is handled with care.
- It is ensured that unauthorized persons do not have access to your file.
- I adhere to a legal duty of confidentiality (professional secrecy).

The data from your file can also be used for the following purposes:

- To inform other healthcare providers only after your explicit permission. For example, upon referral or after completion of therapy.
- For possible observation, if necessary or desired.
- For anonymous use during peer review.
- For drawing up invoices (only a few details are required)\*.

If I want to use your data for another reason, I will always inform you first and explicitly ask for permission.

If necessary for your treatment, data that I have requested from another care provider – only after your explicit permission- will also be included in the file. For example from your GP.

Client files are kept for 15 years, as required by law.

## \* Privacy on the invoice

The invoice you receive will contain the information requested by the health insurer, so that you can declare this invoice should they provide partial reimbursement. It therefore states:

- Your name, full address and date of birth
- The date of the treatment
- A brief description of the treatment, in this case 'hypnotherapy'
- The costs of the consultation