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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Licenses from the Missouri State Committee of Marital & Family Therapists only grant licensees the ability to practice in Missouri with clients currently residing in Missouri.

Due to the COVID-19 epidemic, many states, including Missouri temporarily waived some rules and statutes regarding telehealth and the ability to practice across state lines. Currently, these waivers are **NO LONGER VALID**.

Missouri boards only have the ability to regulate who and how licensees may practice in Missouri.

If there is a patient currently residing in another state, Missouri licensees would have to meet the currently implemented rules and statutes of that state in order to work with that patient.

The Missouri Board cannot dictate who or how an MFT may work with from another state.

I want to also pass along what our updated rules are for practicing in Missouri. Please see those below:

Telehealth (HIPAA):

- If you are working in Missouri and seeing a Missouri client, you are within the requirements.
- If you are working in Missouri and you are seeing a client in another state or country, you will need to contact that state or country and abide by their requirements.
- **If you are licensed and located in another state and you are seeing clients in Missouri, you are NOT compliant. You must be licensed in the state of Missouri to provide telehealth services to Missouri clients. [Missouri Revisor of Statutes - Revised Statutes of Missouri, RSMo Section 191.1145 3.](#)**

Again, let me know if you have any further questions. Thanks!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gloria Lindsey".

Gloria Lindsey
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