**Interview Questionnaire: Counselor**

Name of Counselor: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Suite: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Website:\_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Email: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you have a master’s or doctoral degree? [ ] Yes [ ] No
2. If yes, is your degree in counseling or psychology? [ ] Yes [ ] No
3. Do you counsel patients with drug or alcohol addiction? [ ] Yes [ ] No
4. Are you certified as an addiction specialist? [ ] Yes [ ] No
5. If not, what addiction specialist training do you have?\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. What is your typical or established protocol for visits, individual or group? \_     \_\_\_

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1. How frequently do you require or recommend sessions be held? \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. How long are offered counseling sessions? [ ]  30 min [ ]  50 min [ ] 1 hr [ ]  other \_     \_\_\_\_
3. What is your fee for visits? $      Do you accept my insurance coverage? [ ] Yes [ ] No
4. Do you have an affiliation with a doctor or rehab center? [ ] Yes [ ] No

If yes, name: \_\_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Your impression:\_      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Your Rating: [ ]  No way [ ]  So-So [ ]  Good [ ]  Very Good [ ]  Excellent [ ] Yes, this is the one.

Needed follow-up to make decision: \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Decision needed by when? \_     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Two certification and credentialing programs for addiction professionals to be aware of are:

1. The International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) conducts competency-based testing to certify and award special credentials to addiction professionals. <http://internationalcredentialing.org/>

2. The Association for Addiction Professionals (NAADAC) conducts competency-based testing to certify and award special credentials to addiction professionals. <http://www.naadac.org/>

You might identify a potentially great counselor that may not have the above certification or credentialing.

After careful research, if the counselor you select doesn’t have these above credentials, it doesn’t necessarily mean they are not qualified or would not do a great job at addiction counseling. I just wanted you to be aware of these special credentials and certification programs.

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