

## **Teletherapy Services Suggested Privacy Measures for Teletherapy Clients**

CCSD recommends that you (the client) are aware of and use safety measures for keeping your PHI (Personal Health Information) confidential, including but not limited to the following suggestions:

## **Paper**

It is recommended that you store all paper documents with your PHI in a locked cabinet.

## When participating in teletherapy it is also recommended that you:

- Conduct the sessions in a private location where you will not be overheard or interrupted.
- Use your own computer/device, or one owned by ECU that is not publicly accessible.
- Ensure that the computer/device you use has updated operating and anti-virus software.
- Do not record any sessions.
- Do not include others in the session or have others in the room.
- Password protect your computer/device with a password that is unique.
- Always log out of your sessions.
- Do not have any software remember your password sign in every time.
- Do not share your passwords or secure link with anyone.
- Do not share your computer when you are logged on to any counseling software.
- If you wish to avoid others knowing that you are receiving counseling services, clear your browser's cache (browsing history), and on your phone, list your therapist by a name rather than as "counselor or therapist."
- Have all of your devices set to time out requiring you to sign back in after a set idle time.
- Notify your counselor if you suspect any breach in your security.