

# Narrative Therapy Case Conceptualization 4.0

*For use with individual, couple, or family clients*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Clinician: \_\_\_\_\_ Client/Case #: \_\_\_\_\_

## Introduction to Client & Significant Others

*List all significant others who will be included in the case conceptualization.*

*Additional identifiers may include: religion, language, sexuality, immigration status, economic status, neurodiversity, chronic health conditions, client's position/role within their system(s), significant hobbies/interests or similar information.*

### Adult(s)

Adult Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnoracial Identity: \_\_\_\_\_ Select Status Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Identifiers: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Child(ren)

Child Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnoracial Identity: \_\_\_\_\_ School/Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Additional identifiers: \_\_\_\_\_

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Others in Household/Family/Significant Persons: \_\_\_\_\_

## Meeting Persons Apart from the Problem

*Describe who the person/people are apart from the problem: hobbies, interests, career, etc.:*

Adult Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Age: \_\_\_\_\_

## Preferred Narratives: Hopes and Aspirations for Self and Other

*Describe the preferred narrative, hopes for therapy, and/or aspirations for self, others, and relationships:*

Adult Age: Aspirations for Self: \_\_\_\_\_

Aspirations for Others/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Age: Aspirations for Self: \_\_\_\_\_

Aspirations for Others/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Age: Aspirations for Self: \_\_\_\_\_

Aspirations for Others/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Age: Aspirations for Self: \_\_\_\_\_

Aspirations for Others/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional: \_\_\_\_\_

### Problem-Saturated Narrative

*Describe each significant person's description of the problem:*

Adult Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional: \_\_\_\_\_

*Broader System: Description of problem from extended family, referring party, teachers, legal system, etc.:*

Extended Family: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Background Information

*Trauma/Abuse History (recent and past):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Substance Use/Abuse (current and past; self, family of origin, significant others):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Precipitating Events (recent life changes, first symptoms, stressors, etc.):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Related Historical Background (earlier incidents, family history, related issues, prior treatment, etc.):* \_\_\_\_\_

### Social Location and Dominant Discourses

*Dominant Discourses informing definition of problem:*

*What are the sociocultural factors that inform (a) the problem interaction pattern and (b) individual/family identity (narrative/collaborative/socioculturally attuned therapy)?*

- **Ethnic, Race, Class, Immigration Status, and Religious Discourses:** *How do key cultural discourses inform client identities, what is perceived as the problem, and possible solutions (be as specific as possible e.g., Italian American rather than White)?* \_\_\_\_\_
- **Gender and Sexuality Discourses:** *How do gender and sexuality discourses inform identities, what is perceived as a problem, and the possible solutions? How do these intersect with ethnicity, religion, or other identities?* \_\_\_\_\_
- **Community, School, Work and/or Societal Discourses:** *How do other important community discourses (e.g., physical/mental ability to interact with others, professional norms, school culture, societal trends, systemic racism, current events) inform client identities, what is perceived as a problem, and possible solutions?* \_\_\_\_\_
- **Problem-Related Identity Narratives:** *How has the problem shaped the client's identities?* \_\_\_\_\_

### Unique Outcomes and Influence of Persons

*Describe times, contexts, relationships, etc., when the problem is less of a problem or not a problem as well as the effect of persons on the problem: what things do people do that make the problem less of a problem?*

1. When is problem less of problem? \_\_\_\_\_
2. When was the problem expected but did not occur? \_\_\_\_\_
3. In what relationships or contexts is the problem less of a problem or not a problem? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What are people currently doing that keep the problem from being worse than it is or affecting more areas of life than it already does? \_\_\_\_\_

*Based on the above, how are people most effectively influencing the problem?*

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_