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**PROHIBITED CONTACT DEFINITIONS**

**Initial each definition to indicate your understanding of the terms.**

  **Prohibited Person**: Any person or class of persons that you may not have any contact with by the terms of your Less Restrictive Alternative court order, Judgment and Sentence, and/or rules of your mandated treatment. This may include male and female minors, your victim, or designated others.

  **Minor**: Anyone under 18 years of age.

* The case manager may consult with Child Protective Services prior to proposed visitations with children.

 **Contact**:

1. **Actual physical touching** (e.g., hugging, handshakes, pats, horseplay, wrestling).
2. **Association or relationship**: Taking any action which furthers a relationship with a prohibited person (e.g., writing letters, email, sending messages, buying presents).
3. **Any form of communication**. This includes verbal communication (e.g., speaking to a prohibited person directly, by telephone, electronically, passing a verbal message through a third person), and/or written communication (e.g., letters, using the computer and internet).

  **Proximity Contact**: Being in the vicinity of a prohibited person, especially a minor, where communication could be established. **Do not initiate any proximity contact or verbal and/or non-verbal communication.** You must make all efforts to minimize contacts with the timing of visits to public places. It is not the responsibility of the prohibited person to avoid communication. If the prohibited person is:

* **Known to you**: You need to control the situation by leaving.
* **In a non-public place**: You need to leave if the prohibited person is not going to leave.

Examples: A minor selling magazines door to door; minors entering your yard to play or to ask you a question; one of your victims comes to visit a relative while you are at the relative’s house. These constitute either a high risk situation for grooming behaviors, opportunity, or the perception of having an opportunity for inappropriate contact.

* **In a public place and unknown to you**: You need to immediately move away from the area when a prohibited person initiates communication with you. If the prohibited person continues to try and communicate, you must leave immediately.

Examples: In the same house, yard, church, movie theatre, grocery store, restaurant, or other establishments.

 **Direct Contact**: One-to-one contact with a prohibited person. This includes in-person visits, touching, talking on the phone, letters, written notes, smiling or making faces, and proximity contact.

  **Indirect Contact**: Attempting to or making contact with a prohibited person through another person, including asking a mother, child, teacher, or friend to:

* Tell a prohibited person something or do something to that prohibited person that you are not permitted to do.
* Have a prohibited person answer questions, send pictures, deliver or receive packages, gifts, or money.

 **Supervised Contact:** Approval to have contact with a prohibited person under prearranged times and conditions. Approval must be given by your Residential Community Transition Team (RCTT) or the court IN WRITING PRIOR to any contact. Deviations or substitutions must be made with prior approval and IN WRITING.

* Supervised contact ALWAYS requires a pre-approved chaperone. This NEVER means just having another adult present.

  **Chaperone**: A person authorized only by the court and/or the RCTT to accompany you in public places while keeping close proximity and continuous observation. A chaperone must:

* Obtain approval IN WRITING and PRIOR to any supervised contact.
* Know the details of your offending, sex offense cycle, risk situations, and conditions of supervision.
* Agree to monitor contact between you and a prohibited person and report any concerns or violations to the RCTT immediately.

**WHEN IN DOUBT, AVOID AND/OR TERMINATE CONTACT** and call your RCTT to request more information.

I acknowledge that I have read, or had read to me, the contact terms and definitions. I have initialed each section indicating that I understand the term definitions and agree to abide by them.

Name Signature Date

      

Case manager Signature Date

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