## **Consent for Virtual Open Groups**

Clients in the Noble RTM program may have access to Virtual Open Groups or "Growth Sessions". These groups are open to all clients in that platform or company. By attending these groups, you are agreeing to the following terms:

- I understand there are potential risks to this technology, including interruptions, unauthorized access, and technical difficulties. I understand the provider uses a confidential, HIPAA compliant video platform that safeguards data and provides a secure platform. However, there is always the potential risk to client confidentiality when the internet is involved, and this is heightened in a group format.
- 2. To maintain confidentiality, I will not share my group meeting link with anyone unauthorized to attend the appointment. I will not record or photograph any part of the group or the group members, or allow anyone into my room while the group is in session.
- 3. I understand that I may learn the full names of group members due to their name being listed on the video. I agree not to seek out any information about group members (e.g., using a search engine or social media), nor contact them outside of group if this is against the specific group agreements. If I choose not to show my full name, I will ask the group leader how to change my display name, if I do not know how to do it.
- 4. I understand I need to have access to the appropriate technology to participate in the service provided. This includes being on a secure internet connection, rather than public or free Wi-Fi.
- 5. I need to be in a location free of disruptions, where I am alone and can speak freely, and where others will not see the screen, or hear the conversations of the group. This may include using headphones if necessary.

By agreeing to these terms, I certify:

- That I have read, understood and agree to the items contained here.
- That I fully understand its contents, including the risks and benefits of virtual open groups.