

# JOURNEY INTO MANHOOD

A Healing Weekend by People Can Change

## AGREEMENTS AND LIABILITY RELEASE

Please read the following and be prepared to sign a paper copy before you begin the "Journey Into Manhood" weekend. Those who do not sign and agree to the terms herein are not eligible to participate in the retreat/training weekend.

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### CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

1. I agree to forever keep confidential all names and identifying information of those participating in the "Journey Into Manhood" weekend, whether as participants or as staff. \_\_\_\_\_Initial
2. I agree to forever keep confidential any and all aspects of what others (staff as well as participants) experience this weekend and anything they may choose to disclose about themselves, their lives and their feelings. \_\_\_\_\_Initial
3. I agree to keep confidential specifics about the actual processes and activities used in the course of the training. This is to preserve the confidentiality of the training for others who may participate in the future, so that it may have the greatest possible impact on their lives. \_\_\_\_\_Initial
4. I certify and promise that I will not publish, broadcast, report on, or in any other way publicly communicate a description, eye witness account, or testimonial of what I or others experience on the Journey Into Manhood weekend without receiving, in advance of any and every publication or broadcast, the express written permission of the executive director of People Can Change. \_\_\_\_\_Initial
5. I understand that I am free to share privately with personal acquaintances, family members and my therapist (if appropriate) my own thoughts and feelings about the Journey Into Manhood weekend and how it affected me, if I choose, as long as I do so without violating my commitments to confidentiality regarding people, experiences and processes, as noted above. \_\_\_\_\_Initial
6. I understand and agree that, should I breach these commitments to confidentiality, whether intentionally or unintentionally, I will promptly make this known to the executive director of People Can Change. \_\_\_\_\_Initial

**IMPORTANT EXCEPTION: MANDATED REPORTERS** – Certain individuals may be participating in this event who may be designated, by the legal requirements of their profession, as "mandated reporters" of suspected abuse. Their obligations under the law about certain specific disclosures take precedence over this confidentiality agreement. This means, for instance, that if a participant discloses that he abused a child at any time in his past, a mandated reporter will be legally required to report this disclosure to legal or child-protective authorities. This requirement does not apply to disclosures by adults of having been abused as a child, only to disclosures of having been the abuser. Mandated reporters must adhere to all other aspects of this confidentiality agreement that are not specifically superseded by mandated-reporter requirements. \_\_\_\_\_Initial

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_