

Integrated Reflexologists of Wisconsin, Inc.

Code of Ethics

As a member of Integrated Reflexology Association of Wisconsin, Inc. (IRW), I pledge my commitment to the highest principles of the Reflexology profession as outlined herein:

- 1. Commitment to High-Quality Care**
To serve the best interests of my clients at all times and provide the highest quality of reflexology and service possible. I recognize that the obligation for building and maintaining an effective, healthy, and safe therapeutic relationship with my clients is my responsibility.
- 2. Commitment**
To conduct a thorough health history intake process for each client and evaluate the health history to rule out contraindications or determine appropriate session adaptations. If I see signs of, or suspect, an undiagnosed condition that reflexology may be inappropriate for, I will refer that client to a physician or other qualified health-care professional as appropriate. I understand the importance of therapeutic touch and will conduct sessions with the sole objective of benefitting the client.
- 3. Commitment to Honest Representation of Qualifications**
To only provide treatments and techniques for which I am fully trained and hold credible credentials. I will not use the trademarks and symbols associated with a particular system or group without authentic affiliation.
- 4. Commitment to Uphold the Inherent Worth of All Individuals**
To demonstrate compassion, respect, and tolerance for others. I will seek to decrease discrimination, misunderstandings, and prejudice. I understand there are situations when it is appropriate to decline service to a client because it is in the best interests of a client's health, or for my personal safety, but I will not refuse service to any client based on disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, physical build, or sexual orientation; religious, national, or political affiliation; social or economic status.
- 5. Commitment to Respect Client Dignity and Basic Rights**
To demonstrate my respect for the dignity and rights of all individuals by providing a clean, comfortable, and safe environment for sessions, giving clients recourse in the event of dissatisfaction with treatment, and upholding the integrity of the therapeutic relationship.
- 6. Commitment to Informed Consent**
To recognize a client's right to determine what happens during a Reflexology session. I will not provide reflexology without obtaining a client's informed consent (or that of the guardian or advocate for the client) to the session plan.
- 7. Commitment to Confidentiality**
To keep client communication and information confidential and will not share client information without the client's written consent. I will ensure every effort is made to respect a client's right to privacy.
- 8. Commitment to Honesty in Business**
To know and follow good business practices with regard to record keeping, and tax law. A member in good standing may use the Integrated Reflexology of Wisconsin, Inc. logo, for marketing purposes, and promise to do so with ethical appropriateness.
- 9. Commitment to Professionalism**
To maintain clear and honest communication with clients and colleagues. I will project a professional image with respect to my behavior and personal appearance in keeping with the highest standards of the reflexology profession. I will actively strive to positively promote the reflexology profession by committing to self-development and continually building my professional skills.