



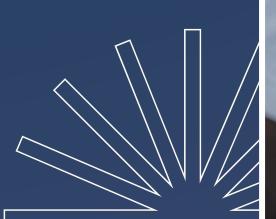
WHAT TO EXPECT FROM YOUR NICC

Infidelity

SESSION

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For Couples Healing from Infidelity, Pornography, or Sexual Addiction...

When **sexual betrayal** enters a marriage—whether through an affair, pornography, or compulsive sexual behavior—the pain can feel shattering. Trust **breaks**. Safety **disappears**. Love begins to feel **risky**, and intimacy may seem **impossible**.

And yet, in NICC therapy, we believe healing is possible. Not by rushing forgiveness or minimizing pain, but by creating a sacred space where truth can be told, trauma can be witnessed, and God's redemptive power can rebuild what was broken.

This isn't just about **fixing** a marriage. It's about **healing** two souls and reimagining a relationship that's **stronger**, **safer**, and more **sacred** than before.

Here's 5 STEPS you can expect to experience when entering NICC therapy for infidelity or sexual addiction RECOVERY...



1 Grounding in Safety Stabilization

WE BEGIN EVERY SESSION WITH ATTUNEMENT.

To you, to one another, and to the moment. In early stages of betrayal recovery...



YOUR THERAPIST WILL:

- **Help** set the **emotional frame** for the session—honoring how raw or fragile each of you may be **feeling**.
- Check in with how the week went, especially around relational safety, emotional triggers, or setbacks in recovery efforts.
- If applicable, debrief any homework, such as recovery commitments, therapeutic disclosures, or regulation strategies.

This is not a place for PRESSURE. It's a space for HONEST connection at a trauma-informed pace.



Attuning to the Nervous System & Listening to the Body

BETRAYAL, TRAUMA, AND ADDICTION DEEPLY IMPACT THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.

NICC therapists guide both partners to notice what's happening inside— **physiologically** and **emotionally**.

YOUR THERAPIST MAY ASK:



- "What's showing up in your body right now as you think about that moment?"
- "What part of you is **feeling** defensive, ashamed, or shut down?"
- "What does your body need to feel
 safe enough to stay present?"

This embodied approach **slows down** reactivity and creates space for emotion to be **honored** without being hijacked. Especially in recovery, this is essential.



3 Working Through Disclosure

DAMAGE, AND THE DEEPER WHY.

In NICC betrayal recovery, we move toward the **truth**—not just of what happened, but of why it happened and how it **impacted** both of you.

THIS INCLUDES:

- Full disclosure work in a structured, safe, and guided way
- Processing the trauma responses of the betrayed partner—shock, hypervigilance, grief, or numbness
- Exploring the internal world of the betraying partner—not to excuse behavior, but to understand the unhealed wounds, unmet needs, or immature coping strategies that fueled it.

This is a sacred excavation. As we uncover the CYCLE beneath the betrayal, we begin to disempower it—and open space for TRANSFORMATION.



4 Practicing Repair & Rebuilding Real Connection

NICC DOESN'T JUST ANALYZE BETRAYAL— IT HELPS YOU REPAIR FROM IT.

Your therapist will facilitate intentional, emotionally safe conversations between you.

THIS INCLUDES:

- **Empathy practices**, where the offending partner learns how to attune to the pain they caused without defensiveness
- The betrayed partner learning how to share honestly—rage, grief, fear, longing—without being alone in it
- Guided moments of connection: expressing regret, validating hurt, setting boundaries, offering presence

Over time, you'll begin to practice new relational dynamics built on:

TRANSPARENCY over secrecy; SAFETY over intensity; emotional CLOSENESS over compulsive distance; and real INTIMACY over counterfeit connection.



YOU WON'T BE HANDED GENERIC ASSIGNMENTS.

Each session ends with reflection and forward movement.



- Integrate what was gained, released, or confronted in the session
- Make meaning of where you are in your healing journey
- Create tailored home practices, which may include:
 - Recovery routines and accountability rhythms
 - Exercises to increase emotional and sexual safety
 - Trust-building behaviors and rituals of connection
 - Personal work on shame, grief, and identity



Your healing roadmap will be specific to your STORY, your wounds, and your Godgiven capacity for REDEMPTION.



Healing the Sexual Relationship

SEXUAL INTIMACY IN RECOVERY IS TENDER.

For many couples, it's one of the most confusing and triggering parts of the journey. NICC sex therapy provides a safe, Spirit-led path for:

- 1. Rebuilding sexual safety after betrayal or addiction
- 2. **Exploring** fears, shutdowns, and intrusive thoughts
- 3. Working through avoidance or hypersexuality responses
- 4. **Redeeming** the beauty of sexual connection, not as a duty—but as a gift

When both partners are ready, your therapist will gently **guide** you into restorative, embodied experiences that reweave pleasure, trust, and delight into your sexual story.

This doesn't happen all at once. But it can happen. And we will walk with you each step of the way



MANY COUPLES DESCRIBE NICC BETRAYAL RECOVERY AS:

"THE FIRST PLACE WE COULD TELL THE TRUTH AND NOT BREAK APART"

"HARD—BUT FINALLY
HEALING"

"A SPACE WHERE JESUS MET US WHEN WE THOUGHT IT WAS TOO LATE"

"A ROADMAP WHEN WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT CAME NEXT"

"THE MOST SACRED AND PAINFUL WORK WE'VE EVER DONE—AND WORTH IT"





A Word of Hope...

Betrayal can fracture trust—but it

DOESN'T have to be the end of your
story. With courage, truth, and the
presence of Christ, it can become the
BEGINNING of a deeper story. A story of
healing. Redemption. And reclaimed
covenant love.

NICC therapy doesn't offer a quick fix.
But it does offer a way forward. A way
to move from fractured to fortified, from
shattered to whole, and from
disconnected to deeply known and loved.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO WALK THIS ALONE. AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO STAY STUCK IN THE FALSE SELF.

Healing is hard—but it's holy.
And it's possible.
One step at a time.



Thank You!



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