## Cognitive Restructuring / Thinking Matters GROUP RULES

- 1. **Attendance:** It is the policy of the Step Forward program that any participant with two consecutive unexcused absences or a pattern of unexcused absences be removed from any group which maintains a waiting list
- 2. **Promptness**: There is a 10 minute grace period for all groups. No client will be allowed in to group more than 10 minutes past the group's scheduled start time.
- 3. Must remain inside of the building after group check in
- 4. Must not come to group under the influence of any drugs or alcohol
- 5. Must take care of restroom needs before group as you will not be allowed to leave the room after the start of the meeting
- 6. Participation
- 7. Must come to group prepared in order to present homework
- 8. If homework/folder is lost, you will be required to restart the Thinking Report you were currently working on
- 9. **Confidentiality**
- 10. Honesty and self-disclosure
- 11. No cross conversations
- 12. Must Abide by Step Forward Dress Code:
  - No swimsuits, halter tops, strapless tops, midriff tops (no revealing clothing)
  - No drug or alcohol advertisements or slogans on clothing (this means photos/drawings as well)
  - Step Forward staff has discretion as to what is appropriate attire. You can be asked to leave, resulting in missed treatment requirements for inappropriate attire.