Ethical or Not Ethical

Refer to textbook pages 55 & 56

Are the following ethical violations or not?

1. You and your psychologist go to a baseball game together.
2. Your psychologist tells his or her friends about your mental state.
3. On your 1st visit, your psychologist identifies to you how long treatment should take.
4. On your 1st visit, the psychologist gives you information on how much it will cost for his or her

services.

1. The client states he is harboring homicidal thoughts toward his employer for perceived discriminatory practices in the workplace. The psychologist notifies the authorities.

6. I Know What You Did Last Saturday Night

You saw a young client for about one year when he was 8 years old. Now he is fifteen and has returned to therapy regarding depression and anxiety. He shares with you that he is involved in sexual activity with his girlfriend and that he sometimes drinks alcohol on the weekends. You want to respect the adolescent client’s developing identity and independence by maintaining confidentiality, but you are also concerned with his safety. You struggle with whether or not to share information, such as drug use or sexual activity, with the client’s parent(s).