

April 14, 2015

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Re: Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Jason Wambold

Dear Mr. Gagniuk:

I performed a Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Mr. Wambold in reference to his DUI charge in Oakland County. This assessment included the administration of:

- Michigan Alcohol Screening Test (MAST)
- Alcohol Use Disorder Identification Test (AUDIT)
- General anxiety/depression screening
- 50 minute clinical interview by telephone

The following items provide a summary of the screening results, my diagnostic opinion and professional recommendations:

**MAST:** score = 2/ *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; no direct indication of problem alcohol use, responses were consistent with clinical interview

**AUDIT:** score = 5/ *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; scores above 8 indicate hazardous use, above 13 indicates moderate to severe disorder present; responses were consistent with clinical interview

**DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns:** denies subtle indicators of problem alcohol use including pattern of mild hangovers, mild memory loss after use, repeat use to relieve emotional or work stress, previous treatment, conflict with significant others during or shortly after use of alcohol, guilt or regret associated with use

Anxiety/Depression Screening: no clinically significant concerns reported

Substance Related Legal History Reported: 2008 DUI (.11 BAC)

Clinical Interview/Summary: Mr. Wambold's written screenings provided no indication of an alcohol use disorder. He reported normal use of alcohol as 2-4 drinks on 2-3 occasions per week. He also acknowledged use of 4-6 drinks on infrequent occasions (weddings, birthdays, etc.), or on about 5-6 occasions per year. Mr. Wambold and I discussed both of his DUI incidents and general use of alcohol at length, but I was unable to find the incident or her overall history and presentation indicative of someone experiencing DSM 5 alcohol use disorder symptoms. His general demeanor and

presentation were credible and without contradictions or discrepancies. However, since he has had two impaired driving charges in his lifetime I am recommending he complete a basic alcohol education class.

## **DSM 5 DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances**: V71.09 (none found)

## **Treatment Recommendations:**

- 1) <u>Preventative Education</u>, recommend logancourtclasses.com (DUI 8 hr. online class) or a local class of 5-10 hours if available:
- 2) If another negative consequence is incurred as a result of any alcohol use it is recommended Mr. Wambold seek further evaluation and follow all treatment recommendations.

Thank you for the opportunity to assist the court, Mr. Wambold, and yourself in this important matter.

Sincerely,

Brian Davis, LISW-S, SAP

cc: Jason Wambold

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**Diagnostic Conclusions / Limitations**: Directions Counseling Group provides Clinical Alcohol Assessments based on objective and standardized screenings and interviewing methods as well as self-reported information. Clinical conclusions are made to the best of the professional's ability with data on hand at the time of the assessment. Expanded assessments which involve additional background research, collateral information and third party verification can be provided as an additional service upon request.

