

November 24, 2015

Madison County Municipal Probation
PO Box 646
London, Ohio 43140

Re: Substance Abuse Evaluation for Vang Her

Dear Mr. Maynard:

I performed a basic substance abuse assessment for Mr. Her in reference to his June 2015 reckless operation charge in Madison County. This assessment included the administration of: a SASSI-3, a MAST, an AUDIT, and a clinical interview. The following are my findings and recommendations:

Substance(s) of Concern: alcohol

SASSI-3: screening indicated an overall *high probability* of a moderate to severe alcohol use disorder; scores were negative for rules #1-8 and positive for rule #9; screening was valid with a lifetime frame of reference

MAST: score=1; no apparent indications of problem drinking; lifetime frame of reference

AUDIT: score=4; scores of "8" or more indicate hazardous alcohol use; past year frame of reference

DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns: client denies a family history of alcohol use problems, use to relieve emotional/occupational distress, or regular hangovers; client stated that family social events regularly involve drinking to excess

Depression Screening: no clinically significant concerns reported

Clinical Interview/Summary: Mr. Her's written screenings provided mixed indications of an alcohol use disorder. He reported his normal use of alcohol over the past two years as 1-2 standard domestic beers on 1-2 occasions per week. He reported that his alcohol use will increase on special celebrations to 4-6 drinks on approximately 2-3 occasions per year. His clinical interview did reveal indications of recurrent use beyond intention and recurrent use in physically hazardous situations. Specifically it appears that Mr. Her's alcohol use becomes excessive on 2-3 occasions per year when he is with other individuals who encourage excessive alcohol use. Mr. Her reported that he has already completed a 72-hour Driver Intervention Program through Crossroads Recovery Services. He was recommended to receive an additional alcohol evaluation from that program. At present Mr. Her meets criteria for a mild alcohol use disorder, and I am providing recommendations specifically to help Mr. Her identify and address situations that are likely to lead to excessive alcohol use.

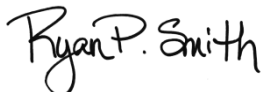
DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances: F10.10 alcohol use disorder, mild

Recommendations:

- 1) Prevention planning, recommend Mr. Her attend 5 outpatient counseling sessions to identify situations that may increase his overall alcohol use and develop a plan to address those situations in an adaptive and responsible manner;
- 2) Any subsequent negative consequence related to alcohol use within the next year should result in initiation of outpatient counseling and further evaluation.

Mr. Her has signed a release for me to communicate this assessment to you. Thank you for the opportunity to assist the court, yourself, and Mr. Her.

Sincerely,



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cc. Vang Her