

January 3, 2014

Nicholas McAllister
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Re: Student Substance Abuse Assessment for Nicholas McAllister

Dear Mr. McAllister:

I performed a basic alcohol assessment for you in reference to your 12/31/11 underage drinking charge on university premises. This assessment included the administration of: a MAST, a DAST, a depression/anxiety screening, and a clinical interview. The following are my findings and recommendations:

Substance(s) Assessed: alcohol, all illicit substances

MAST (Michigan Alcohol Screening Test) : score=1; no overt indication of an alcohol use disorder of any kind

DAST (Drug Alcohol Screening Test): low probability of mild, moderate or severe substance use disorder

DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns: acknowledged previous mild memory impairment on a few occasions (less than 6)

Depression/ Anxiety Screening: denies experiencing any symptoms of depression or anxiety at a clinically significant level

Clinical Interview/Summary: Mr. McAllister's written screenings provided no indication of a substance use disorder of any kind. He reported occasional use of alcohol (1-2 times per week) without incident since his New Years Eve (12/31/2011) underage drinking charge on campus. He reported his typical consumption as 1-2 beers with a friend over dinner, or 5-6 drinks in social settings, and acknowledged that on rare exceptions he may have consumed 8-10 drinks over an extended period of time. While I cautioned him about the risks of alcohol consumption in the higher ranges he mentioned, he denied any frequency or pattern. Ultimately I was unable to find him meeting DSM 5 criteria for an alcohol use disorder. Mr. McAllister denied use of other illicit substances as well as drinking and driving behavior stating that these activities could impair his ability to pursue both education and a career in criminal justice.

DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances: None found

Recommendations: I have no further professional recommendations for Mr. McCallister at this time.

You may forward this professional assessment to the appropriate university reviewer. Please be aware that it contains protected health information and should not be forwarded by the university to any other parties without your explicit permission to do so.

Sincerely,
Brian Davis, LISW-S, SAP

