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**Re: Student Substance Abuse Assessment for Duncan O'Leary**

Dear Mr. Joslyn:

I performed a basic substance abuse assessment for Mr. O'Leary in reference to his pending legal charges. This assessment included the administration of: a MAST, a DAST, an anxiety/depression screening, a review of his Franklin Co. underage/possession etc. tickets, and a clinical interview. The following are my findings and recommendations:

**Substance(s) of Concern:** alcohol, cannabis (denies use of other illicit substances)

**MAST:** score = 1; no overt indication of an alcohol use disorder

**DAST:** score= 4; indicative of cannabis use without clear clinically diagnostic problem symptoms

**DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns:** denies impaired driving, previous cannabis possession charge (<5 grams) approximately within the last year

**Anxiety/Depression Screening:** recent situational anxiety & mild insomnia related to legal charges, no mental health crisis present at the time of interview

**Clinical Interview/Summary:** Mr. O'Leary's written screenings provided indication of casual use of marijuana and alcohol. He appeared both open and cooperative in the interview process and though he has reported that he has stopped all substance use at the present time, he acknowledged a clear preference for marijuana over alcohol in the past 12-18 months. He reported using less alcohol than his peers in quantity and frequency and was articulate about motivation and means to avoid impaired driving. Ultimately I found him meeting criteria for a mild cannabis use disorder and am recommending he complete some basic substance education and follow up with a substance abuse counselor.

**DIAGNOSIS in reference to Substances:** 305.20 (F10.10) mild cannabis use disorder

**Recommendations:** **1) Education,** recommend 9 hrs. of Ohio Health's Drug/Alcohol Awareness Series (contact 614-566-3700); **2) Preventative Counseling,** recommend 2 follow up sessions with a professional substance abuse counselor; **3) If** another negative consequence is incurred as a result of any substance use it is recommended Mr. O'Leary seek further evaluation and follow all treatment recommendations.

Mr. O'Leary has signed a release to communicate the results of this assessment to you. Feel free to contact me should you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,  
Brian Davis, LISW-S, SAP

