

November 17, 2015

Elizabeth George, PO  
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**Re: Substance Abuse Evaluation for Robert Shea**

Dear Ms. George:

I performed a basic substance abuse assessment for Mr. Shea in reference to his July 2015 disorderly conduct charge in Fairfield 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 *low probability* of a moderate to severe alcohol use disorder; screening did not indicate likelihood of a mild alcohol use disorder diagnosis; screening was valid with a lifetime frame of reference

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

**AUDIT:** score=7; scores of "8" or more indicate hazardous alcohol use; past year frame of reference

**DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns:** client acknowledged he has immediate and extended family members who have had problems with alcohol

**Depression Screening:** no clinically significant concerns reported

**Clinical Interview/Summary:** Mr. Shea's written screenings provided no indications of an alcohol use disorder. He reported his normal use of alcohol over the past two years as 4-6 standard domestic beers over the course of 3-4 hours on 1-2 occasions per week. He stated prior to this charge his use of alcohol may increase to 5-7 standard drinks on special occasions such as occasions in which he will spend the entire day watching football games. His clinical interview did not reveal indications of recurrent use beyond intention, recurrent use in a hazardous situation, loss of control of alcohol use, or continued use despite negative consequences. Mr. Shea and I reviewed criteria for low-risk alcohol use, and Mr. Shea's prior alcohol use appears to be within normal limits. At this time Mr. Shea does not meet DSM-5 criteria for an alcohol use disorder.

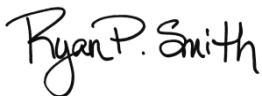
**DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances:** Z03.89 (suspected substance use disorder not found)

**Recommendations:**

- 1) There are no clinical recommendations at this time;
- 2) Any subsequent negative consequence related to alcohol use within the next year should result in initiation of outpatient counseling and further evaluation.

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

Sincerely,



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cc. Robert Shea