

May 29, 2013

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**Re: Substance Abuse Assessment for Michael Smitty**

Dear Mr. Fox:

I performed a basic substance abuse assessment for Mr. Smitty in reference to his pending OVI charge. This assessment included the administration of: a SASSI-3, a MAST, a depression screening, and a clinical interview. The following are my findings and recommendations:

**Substance(s) of Concern:** alcohol

**SASSI-3:** high likelihood of *alcohol use disorder* at moderate level or higher

**MAST:** score=13; high likelihood of *alcohol use disorder*; evaluate further for specific classification

**DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns:** memory loss, relational conflicts, tolerance, use beyond intention, repeat attempts to reduce use (meets five of DSM 5 criteria)

**Anxiety/Depression Screening:** mild symptoms reported, denies emotional or mental health crisis

**Clinical Interview/Summary:** Mr. Hass's written screenings provided immediate indication of a probable alcohol dependence disorder. He readily acknowledged that even though he does not drink daily or exhibit withdrawal symptoms, his drinking is excessive compared other people he knows. He drinks far more than his peers and subsequently acts in ways that he regrets. Mr. Hass has been making efforts to reduce his use of alcohol since the January 2013 OVI. He acknowledged his success was limited and was very open to receiving treatment toward reaching a state of healthy abstinence. We concluded our time together with a discussion about my recommendations below and what to expect from Intensive Outpatient Treatment.

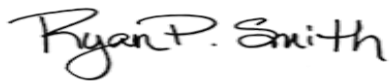
**DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances:** DSM-V - 303.90 (F10.20) moderate alcohol use disorder

**Recommendations:** **1)** Abstinence from alcohol goal ; **2)** Successful completion of an Intensive Outpatient Program, three local program references were provided to Mr. Smitty; **3)** Follow IOP completion with aftercare, counseling and community support as needed to maintain abstinence and support full recovery; **4)** If IOP is not successfully completed and alcohol use symptoms persist a higher level of care is recommended (partial hospitalization or inpatient treatment).

Mr. Smitty has signed a release to communicate the results of this assessment to you. Feel free to contact me should you have any questions about this assessment.

Sincerely,

Ryan Smith, LISW, SAP, LCDC-III

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan P. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'R'.