

Role play: Sally

Clinician: Sally is a 38 year old female who presented to the dental clinic for a filling. Upon examination, you notice staining and dry mouth. Score the AUDIT and DAST, mark the zone of use, and consider what the goal of a brief intervention should be for a patient in this zone. (Do not read the 3rd page.)

Alcohol screening questionnaire (AUDIT)

One drink equals:



12 oz.
beer



5 oz.
wine



1.5 oz.
liquor
(one shot)

Questions	0	1	2	3	4
1. How often do you have a drink containing alcohol?	Never	Monthly or less	2-4 times a month	2-3 times a week	4 or more times a week
2. How many drinks containing alcohol do you have on a typical day when you are drinking?	0 - 2	3 or 4	5 or 6	7 to 9	10 or more
3. How often do you have five or more drinks on one occasion?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily
4. How often during the last year have you found that you were not able to stop drinking once you had started?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily
5. How often during the last year have you failed to do what was normally expected of you because of drinking?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily
6. How often during the last year have you needed a first drink in the morning to get yourself going after a heavy drinking session?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily
7. How often during the last year have you had a feeling of guilt or remorse after drinking?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily
8. How often during the last year have you been unable to remember what happened the night before because of your drinking?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily
9. Have you or someone else been injured because of your drinking?	No		Yes, but not in the last year		Yes, during the last year
10. Has a relative, friend, doctor, or other health care worker been concerned about your drinking or suggested you cut down?	No		Yes, but not in the last year		Yes, during the last year

Have you ever been in treatment for an alcohol problem? Never Currently In the past

I - 0-3 II - 4-9 III - 10-13 IV - 14+

Total Score _____
AUDIT Zone _____

Drug Screening Questionnaire (DAST)

Using drugs can affect your health and some medications you may take. Please help us provide you with the best medical care by answering the questions below.

Which recreational drugs have you used in the past year? (Check all that apply)

- methamphetamines (speed, crystal) cocaine
 cannabis (marijuana, pot) narcotics (heroin, oxycodone, methadone, etc.)
 inhalants (paint thinner, aerosol, glue) hallucinogens (LSD, mushrooms)
 tranquilizers (valium) other _____

How often have you used these drugs? Monthly or less Weekly Daily or almost daily

1. Have you used drugs other than those required for medical reasons?	No	Yes
2. Do you abuse (use) more than one drug at a time?	No	Yes
3. Are you unable to stop using drugs when you want to?	No	Yes
4. Have you ever had blackouts or flashbacks as a result of drug use?	No	Yes
5. Do you ever feel bad or guilty about your drug use?	No	Yes
6. Does your spouse (or parents) ever complain about your involvement with drugs?	No	Yes
7. Have you neglected your family because of your use of drugs?	No	Yes
8. Have you engaged in illegal activities in order to obtain drugs?	No	Yes
9. Have you ever experienced withdrawal symptoms (felt sick) when you stopped taking drugs?	No	Yes
10. Have you had medical problems as a result of your drug use (e.g. memory loss, hepatitis, convulsions, bleeding)?	No	Yes

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Do you inject drugs? No Yes

Have you ever been in treatment for a drug problem? No Yes

I II III IV
0 1-2 3-5 6

Patient (read this information and use it to 'play' Sally):

Sally, you are a 38 year old working as a server at a restaurant. You think you lost a filling while chewing a caramel. You have noticed staining on your teeth and are feeling self-conscious when you interact with customers. You are looking for a new job and want to feel confident during job interviews. You've also had dry mouth recently and feel thirsty even after you've had plenty of water.

You smoke marijuana daily and you usually have ½ to 1 joints per day. You also drink occasionally on the weekends, about 3 times a month with 3 or 4 drinks on each occasion. You are worried that your smoking is starting to impact your performance at work. You also know that your smoking is likely the reason you have staining on your teeth.

These are some of Sally's thoughts and feelings about her marijuana use – she may or may not disclose depending on how she is approached by the interviewer:

You are having trouble getting by financially with your pay as a server. Smoking marijuana is one of the main ways you cope with your stress and you have noticed that your use has increased over the last few years. You have never tried to quit using marijuana before.

You are an 8 on the readiness ruler for being ready to change your marijuana use. You would like to just cut down and try that first.