

# Addiction Severity Index 5th Edition

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*Remember: This is an interview, not a test*

### INTRODUCING THE ASI:

1. All clients receive this **same standard interview**.
2. **Seven Potential problem areas** or Domains: Medical, Employment/Support Status, Alcohol, Drug, Legal, Family/Social, and Psychiatric.
3. The interview will take about **30-40 minutes**.
4. **Patient Rating Scale:** Patient input is important. For each area, I will ask you to use this scale to let me know how bothered you have been by any problems in each section. I will also ask you how important treatment is for you for the area being discussed.  
The scale is:  
0 - Not at all  
1 - Slightly  
2 - Moderately  
3 - Considerably  
4 - Extremely
5. All information gathered is **confidential**
6. **Accuracy** - You have the right to refuse to answer any question, if you are uncomfortable or feel it is too personal or painful to give an answer, just tell us, "I want to skip that question." We'd rather have no answer than an inaccurate one!
7. There are **two time periods** we will discuss:
  1. The past 30 days
  2. Lifetime

### INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Leave no blanks.
2. Make plenty of Comments (if another person reads this ASI, they should have a relatively complete picture of the client's perceptions of his/her problems). When noting comments, please write the question number. Probe and clarify!
3. X = Question not answered. Client cannot or will not answer.
4. N = Question not applicable. Must have instructions in item to use "N"
5. End the interview if client misrepresents or cannot understand after two or more sections.
6. Half Time Rule!  
If a question asks the number of months, round up periods of 14 days or more to 1 month. Round up 6 months or more to 1 year.
7. Hints and clarification notes in the ASI are bulleted "•".

***Probe, cross-check and make plenty of comments!***

### International Standard Classification of Occupations

1. Legislators, officials – Main tasks are forming government policies, laws, regulations and overseeing implementation.
2. Professionals - Requires high level of professional knowledge in the fields of physical and life sciences, or social sciences/humanities.
3. Technicians /assoc. professionals - Requires technical knowledge, experience in fields of physical, life or social sciences, humanities.
4. Clerks - Performs secretarial duties, word processing and other customer-oriented clerical duties.
5. Service & Sales - Includes services related to travel, catering, shop sales, housekeeping, and maintaining law and order.
6. Skilled agricultural and fishery workers - Consists of growing crops, breeding or hunting animals, catching or cultivating fish, etc.
7. Craft & Trades - Main tasks consist of constructing buildings and other structures, making various products. Includes handicrafts.
8. Plant and machine operators - Main tasks consist of driving vehicles, operating machinery, or assembling products.
9. Elementary Occupations – Includes simple and routine tasks, such as selling goods in streets, doormen, cleaning, and working laborers.
0. Armed forces - Includes army, navy, air force workers, etc. Excludes non-military police, customs, inactive military reserves.

### LIST OF COMMONLY USED DRUGS:

Alcohol:	Beer, wine, liquor, grain (methyl alcohol)
Heroin:	Smack, H, Horse, Brown Sugar
Methadone:	Dolophine, LAAM
Opiates:	Opium, Fentanyl, Buprenorphine, pain killers - Morphine, Dilaudid, Demerol, Percocet, Darvon, etc.
Barbiturates:	Nembutal, Seconal, Tuinal, Amytal, Pentobarbital, Secobarbital, Phenobarbital, Fiorinal, Doriden, etc.
Sed/Hyp/Tranq:	Benzodiazepines = Valium, Librium, Ativan, Serax Tranxene, Dalmane, Halcion, Xanax, Miltown, Other = Chloral Hydrate, Quaaludes
Cocaine:	Cocaine Crystal, Free-Base Cocaine, Crack, Rock, etc.
Amphetamines/:	Monster, Crank, Benzedrine, Dexedrine, Ritalin,
Stimulants	Preludin, Methamphetamine, Speed, Ice, Crystal, Khat
Cannabis:	Marijuana, Hashish, Pot, Bango Igbo, Indian Hemp, Bhang, Charas, Ganja, Mota, Anasha
Hallucinogens:	LSD (Acid), Mescaline, Psilocybin (Mushrooms), Peyote, PCP, MDMA, Ecstasy, Angel Dust
Inhalants:	Nitrous Oxide (Whippits), Amyl Nitrite (Poppers), Glue, Solvents, Gasoline, Toluene, Etc.

### ALCOHOL/DRUG USE INSTRUCTIONS:

The following questions refer to two time periods: the past 30 days and lifetime. Lifetime refers to the time prior to the last 30 days.

- ⇒ 30 day questions **only** require the number of days used.  
⇒ Lifetime use is asked to determine **extended periods of regular use**.  
⇒ Regular use =
  1. Three or more times per week
  2. Binges
  3. Problematic irregular use

⇒ Ask these questions with the following sentence stems -  
→ "How many days in the past 30 have you used....?"  
→ "How many years in your life have you regularly used....?"

**D2. Alcohol to intoxication** does not necessarily mean "drunk", use the words "to where you felt the effects", "got a buzz", "high", etc. instead of

intoxication. As a rule, 3 or more drinks in one sitting, 4 or more drinks in one day for women (5 or more for men) is coded under "intoxication" to designate heavy drinking

























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<b>Country #</b>	<b>Country Name</b>	<b>Center #</b>	<b>Center Name</b>
1	Australia	1	Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre Inc., Australia
2	Brazil	1	Psychosocial Attention Centre for Alcohol and other Drugs, Brazil
3	Canada	1	Centre for Addiction and Mental Health CAMH, Canada
4	China	1	Shanghai Drug Abuse Treatment Centre, China
5	Colombia	1	Carisma Centre for Attention and Integral Mental Health, Colombia
6	Egypt	1	General Secretariat of Mental Health, Egypt
7	Germany	1	Mudra, Germany
8	India	1	TT Ranganathan Clinical Research Foundation, India
9	Indonesia	1	RS Ketergantungan Obat The Drug Dependence Hospital, Indonesia
10	Iran	1	Iranian National Prison Organisation /Iranian National Centre for Addiction Studies INCAS, Iran
11	Kazakhstan	1	National Research and Clinical Centre on Medical and Social Problems of Drug, Kazakhstan
12	Kenya	1	Drug Rehabilitation Unit, Mathari Hospital, Kenya
13	Mexico	1	Centros de Integración Juvenil A.C., Mexico
14	Nigeria	1	Neuropsychiatric Hospital Aro, Nigeria
15	Russia	1	Regional Research Centre of Narcology and Psychopharmacology affiliated to St. Petersburg Pavlov State Medical University, Russia
16	Spain	1	Asociación Proyecto Hombre, Spain
17	Sweden	1	Maria Ungdom, Sweden
18	United Kingdom	1	Cranstoun Drug Services, United Kingdom
19	USA	1	Fayette Companies, U.S.A.
		2	Stanley Street Treatment & Resources (SSTAR) Inc., U.S.A.