NAME

**TEST DATE** 

AGE

**Risk Scores** 

Substance	Client's		Risk Level	CI	ient's Risk Lev (please tick)	el
	Score			Moderate	High	Not used
a. Tobacco products		2-5 6+	Moderate High			
b. Alcoholic beverages		2-5 6+	Moderate High			
c. Cannabis		2+	High			
d. Cocaine		2+	High			
e. Amphetamine type stimulants		2+	High			
f. Inhalants		2-5 6+	Moderate High			
g. Sedatives or Sleeping Pills		2+	High			
h. Hallucinogens		2+	High			
i. Opioids		2+	High			
j. Other - specify		2+	High			

#### What do your scores mean?

**Moderate**: The way you use *substances* is placing you at risk of health and other problems, both now and also in the future if you continue to use in the same way.

**High:** You are at high risk of a range of serious problems (health, social, financial, legal, relationship) as a result of the way you use *substances* and could be dependent.

#### Are you concerned about your substance use?

A. Tobacco	Your risk of these harms is: Not used Moderate High (tick one) Regular tobacco smoking is associated with:
	Short-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you now)
	• Bad skin and bad breath.
	• Less physical fitness (eg., getting out of breath, easily exhausted when exercising).
	• More likely to catch a cold, flu, or bronchitis (eg., sore throat, chest pain, shortness of breath).
	• More likely to have unpleasant and uncomfortable symptoms from damage to your lungs such as shortness of breath, phlegm, lung infections and asthma.
	Longer-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you if you keep using)
	• Looking older than you really are (eg., wrinkles and other signs of ageing)
	• Emphysema, heart disease and stroke, diabetes, kidney disease and cancer.
	• Dependency/addiction (ie., difficulty controlling use, having cravings and withdrawal symptoms).

<b>B. Alcohol</b>	Your risk of these harms is: 🗌 Not used 🗌 Moderate 🗌 High (tick one) Regular excessive alcohol use is associated with:
	Short-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you now)
	• Finding it harder to do activities you usually do, such as; attending school, completing school work, participating in leisure or social activities and sport etc.
	• Unpleasant and uncomfortable physical feelings (eg., hangovers- nausea, headaches, dizziness).
	• Feeling anxious or worried, or feeling unhappy or sad (ie., depressed) more often than usual.
	• More likely to make bad decisions without thinking about them, such as; getting into fights, shoplifting doing graffiti or having unwanted sex.
	• Taking risks that could hurt you or your friends.
	• Higher risk of being attacked or hurt while under the influence of alcohol.
	Longer-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you if you keep using)
	• Using alcohol can make it harder for you to achieve longer-term goals, such as, career, sporting and/or relationship goals, etc.
	• More likely to develop problems with your mental/emotional health (eg., feeling anxious or worried, or unhappy/sad for long periods). Also more likely to feel anxious/worried in social situations (ie., social phobia) if you've been using alcohol to overcome shyness in social situations.
	• Liver disease, pancreas disease and cancer, as well as problems with your heart and digestive system.
	• Slow brain development leading to problems remembering things and solving problems, as well as problems concentrating and paying attention.
	• Permanent brain injury, as well as damage to your muscles and nerves.
	• Dependency/addiction (ie., difficulty controlling use, having cravings and withdrawal symptoms).

C. Cannabis	Your risk of these harms is: 🗌 Not used 🗌 High (tick one) Regular use of cannabis is associated with:
	Short-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you now)
	• Finding it harder to remember things and solve problems, as well as problems concentrating and paying attention.
	• Feeling unmotivated.
	• Finding it harder to do the activities you usually do, such as; attending school, completing school work, participating in leisure or social activities and sport etc.
	• More likely to catch a cold, flu, or bronchitis (eg., sore throat, chest pain, shortness of breath).
	• Feeling anxious or worried, or feeling unhappy or sad (ie., depressed) more often than usual.
	• Problems using your judgement for making good decisions.
	• More likely to make bad decisions without thinking about them, such as; shoplifting, doing graffiti or having unwanted sex.
	• Taking risks that could hurt you or your friends.
	Longer-term risks (ie. things that can happen to you if you keep using)
	• Using cannabis can make it harder for you to achieve longer-term goals, such as; career, sporting and/or relationship goals, etc.
	• More likely to have unpleasant and uncomfortable symptoms from damage to your lungs, such as, shortness of breath, lung infections and asthma.
	• More likely to develop mental/emotional health problems (ie., feeling anxious or worried, or unhappy/ sad for long periods).
	• Increased chance of psychosis (loss of touch with reality - hallucinations etc.) if you have a personal or family history of schizophrenia.

D. Cocaine	Your risk of these harms is: $\Box$ Not used $\Box$ High (tick one) Regular use of cocaine is associated with:
	Short-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you now)
	• Finding it harder to do the activities you usually do, such as; attending school, completing school work, participating in leisure and social activities and sport etc.
	• Problems sleeping, increased heart rate, headaches and weight-loss.
	• Numb, tingling and clammy skin can lead to scratching.
	• Damage to the nose and sinuses.
	• Thinking in a way that is not logical, sudden changes in your mood, feeling angry.
	• Feeling anxious or worried, or feeling unhappy or sad (ie., depressed) more often than usual.
	• More likely to make bad decisions without thinking about them, such as; getting into fights, shoplifting, doing graffiti or having unwanted sex.
	• Taking risks that could hurt you or your friends.
	Longer-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you if you keep using)
	• Using cocaine can make it harder for you to achieve longer-term goals, such as; career, sporting and/or relationship goals, etc.
	• More likely to develop problems mental/emotional health problems (ie., feeling anxious or worried, or unhappy/sad for long periods).
	• Increased chance of psychosis (lose touch with reality- hallucination etc.) after using cocaine repeatedly in high doses.
	• Heart disease and stroke.
	• Dependency/addiction (i.e., difficulty controlling use, having cravings and withdrawal symptoms).

E. Amphetamine type stimulants	Your risk of these harms is: Not used High (tick one) Regular use of amphetamine type stimulants (ATS) is associated with:
	Short-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you now)
	• Finding it harder to do the activities you usually do, such as; attending school, completing school work, participating in leisure or social activities and sport etc.
	• Problems sleeping, irregular heartbeat and difficulty breathing, headaches, loss of appetite, weight loss, and dehydration.
	• Jaw clenching and cracked teeth.
	• Thinking in a way that is not logical, paranoid thinking, sudden changes in your mood.
	• Feeling anxious or worried, or feeling unhappy or sad (ie., depressed) more often than usual.
	• More likely to make bad decisions without thinking about them, such as; getting into fights, shoplifting, doing graffiti or having unwanted sex.
	Longer-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you if you keep using)
	• Using ATS can make it hard for you to achieve longer-term goals, such as; career, sporting and/or relationship goals, etc.
	• More likely to develop mental/emotional health (ie., feeling anxious or worried, or unhappy/sad for long periods).
	• Heart disease and stroke.
	• Permanent damage to your brain cells.
	• Dependency/addiction (i.e., difficulty controlling use, having cravings and withdrawal symptoms).

F. Inhalants	Your risk of these harms is: 🗌 Not used 🗌 Moderate 🗌 High (tick one) Regular use of inhalants is associated with:
	Shorter to Longer-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you both now and later on)
	• Finding it harder to remember things and coordinating your movement (eg., feeling unbalanced and slowed reaction).
	• Feeling dizzy, drowsy and disoriented.
	• Blurred or fuzzy vision.
	• More likely to catch a cold or flu, or have problems with your sinuses (ie. sinusitis) and nosebleeds.
	• Feeling anxious or worried, or feeling unhappy or sad (ie., depressed) more often than usual
	• More likely to get injured, or be involved in an accident.
	• Stomach ulcers.
	• Increased risk of damage to your brain cells.
	• Increased risk of permanent damage to your heart, lungs, liver and kidneys.

G. Sedatives	Your risk of these harms is: Not used High (tick one) Regular use of sedatives is associated with:
	Short-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you now)
	• Finding it harder to do the activities you usually do, such as; attending school, completing school work, participating in leisure or social activities and sport etc.
	• Problems controlling when you do and don't want to sleep, headaches, drowsiness, dizziness, and problems coordinating your movement.
	• Finding it harder to remember things and solve problems, problems concentrating and paying attention, slow reaction time.
	• Feeling anxious or worried, or feeling unhappy or sad (ie., depressed) more often than usual.
	• More likely to make bad decisions without thinking about them, such as; getting into fights, shoplifting, doing graffiti or having unwanted sex.
	• Becoming tolerant (ie., needing to take more of the substance to get the same effect) and/or dependent (ie., addicted) after using for only a short time period.
	Longer-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you if you keep using)
	• Using sedatives can make it harder for you to achieve longer-term goals, such as; career, sporting and/or relationship goals, etc.
	• More likely to develop problems with your mental/emotional health (ie., feeling anxious or worried, or unhappy/sad for long periods).
	• Dependency/addiction (i.e., difficulty controlling use, having cravings and withdrawal symptoms).
	• Increased risk of overdose death if used with alcohol, opioids or other depressant drugs.

H. Hallucinogens	Your risk of these harms is: 🗌 Not used 🗌 High (tick one) Regular use of hallucinogens is associated with:
	Short-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you now)
	• Finding it harder to do the activities you usually do, such as; attending school, completing school work, participating in leisure and social activities and sport etc.
	• Problems with your sleep, dizziness and vomiting, increased heart rate and problems with your blood pressure.
	• Thinking in a way that is not logical, paranoid thinking, and sudden changes in your mood.
	• Feeling anxious or worried, or feeling unhappy or sad (ie., depressed) more often than usual.
	Longer-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you if you keep using)
	• Using hallucinogens can make it hard for you to achieve longer-term goals, such as; career, sporting and/ or relationship goals, etc.
	• More likely to develop mental/emotional health problems (ie., feeling anxious or worried, or unhappy/ sad for long periods), and can make already existing mental health problems worse.

I. Opioids	Your risk of these harms is: Not used High (tick one) Regular use of opioids is associated with:
	Short-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you now)
	• Finding it harder to do the activities you usually do, such as; attending school, completing school work, participating in leisure or social activities and sport etc.
	• Problems with coordinating your movement (eg., poor balance, slow reaction time).
	• Finding it harder to solve problems, problems concentrating and paying attention.
	• Feeling anxious or worried, or feeling unhappy or sad (ie., depressed) more often than usual.
	• Dizziness, drowsiness, vomiting, loss of appetite and tooth decay.
	• More likely to develop problems with your mental/emotional health (ie., feeling anxious or worried, or unhappy/sad for long periods).
	• Becoming unconscious and stop breathing - death.
	<ul> <li>Longer-term risks (ie., things that can happen to you if you keep using)</li> <li>Using opiods can make it harder for you to achieve longer-term goals, such as; career, sporting and/or relationship goals, etc.</li> </ul>
	• Becoming tolerant (ie., needing to take more to get the same effect) and/or dependent/addicted (i.e., difficulty controlling use, having cravings and withdrawal symptoms).