Brief Negotiated Interview Guide



	Referral to Treatment						
1. Raise the subject	If it's okay with you, let's take a minute to talk about the screening questions you answered today.						
	- You mentioned that you use alcohol/drugs [X] amount. Tell me more about your use of [X]. When did you begin using? What is your use like now?						
Pros & Cons	I'm interested in getting to know more about [drinking/using] is like for you. Help me understand (what you enjoy/the good things) about [X]. What are some of the negatives?						
	 So on the one hand [PROS-the good things about using] and on the other hand [CONS-the not so good things about using] 						
	I noticed you indicated [raise symptoms from CRAFFT]. Tell me more about that.						
Low Risk praise	I see from your questionnaire that you have used [X] during the past 12 months and your amount of use falls into what we call a low-risk level. That's great. That's a healthy choice. It means your risk for preventable injuries and illnesses related to [X] is low.						
2. Provide	I'd like to share some information on [alcohol, cannabis, or other drug] use in adolescence if that is						
Feedback	okay with you.						
	Example for cannabis:						
	We know that						
	When used regularly, cannabis can increase feelings of depression and anxiety						
	 Cannabis can disrupt focus, working memory, decision-making and motivation for 24 hours after use 						
	 Even young adults who smoked 1–2 times weekly showed structural brain differences in 						
Elicit	research studies						
	Using 1 gram of cannabis a week for a year can cost up to \$1000						
	Cannabis use can also						
	put you at risk for social or legal problems, as well as illness and injury. It can also cause health						
	problems like [insert medical information] and can interfere with [client's personal goals].						
	What do you think about that? [Pick 1 or 2 points likely to be more salient with youth given their presentation]						
3. Readiness ruler	Given what we have been discussing, help me understand how you feel about making a change.						
(1-10)	On a souls from 1.10 with 1 being not ready at all and 10 being secondately made beau						
	- On a scale from 1-10, with 1 being not ready at all and 10 being completely ready, how ready are you to change some aspect of your [X] use?						
Reinforce positives	[X] %. That's great. That means you're [X}% ready to make a change!						
If >1:	Why did you choose that number and not a lower number like a 1 or 2?						
If = 1:	What would it take to raise that number to say a 2 or 3?						
	- How would your [X use] need to impact your life in order for you to start thinking about						
	making a change?						
4. Negotiate a Plan	What steps can you take to (cut back use/reduce risk/stay healthy-safe)?						
Options if client	- It seems you have several options. You can agree to stop using alcohol and/or drugs, you						
cannot identify goal	can cut your use down, you can go for some additional treatment, or you can do nothing.						
Identify supports	What supports do you have for making this change? Tell me about a challenge you overcame in						
the past. How can you use those supports/resources to help you now?							
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Standard Drink Equivalents



Explore o	confidence	How confident are you that you can make a change? What would make you more confident?
	client write action plan	These are great ideas! Let's write down your Action Plan? This is what I heard you sayIs that accurate? Is there anything I missed or you want to add?
Offer ap	ppropriate resources	I have some resources that people sometimes find helpful. Would you like to hear about them? • Mental health/substance treatment, handouts/information, primary care, AA/NA
Close		Thank you for taking time to discuss this with me and being so open.

Readiness Ruler

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Not at				Somewhat					Extremely
all				ready					ready
ready									