



Drug Testing of All Intoxicated Driver Program Clients

First, **ALL** Intoxicated Driver Program (IDP) clients will be required to provide a **urine sample** for an initial six-panel drug test (marijuana, cocaine, amphetamines, methamphetamines, opioids, oxycodone, methadone, and benzodiazepines). This screening will be done after the clinical interview during the assessment. This test is being done to help ensure an accurate assessment as well as enable better intervention upon beginning treatment. It has no bearing on a person's driver's license.

Any test that is diluted and/or altered will be assumed to be positive, and that information will be shared with the treatment provider. Refusal or inability to provide a sample will also be considered to be a positive result, and that information will be shared with the treatment provider, as well.

Second, biomarker testing may be done for **ALL CLIENTS**.

For those who have **one or two operating while impaired/ driving under the influence (OWI/DUI) offenses**, at least one test using fingernails may be conducted at the end of the Driver Safety Plan (DSP).

- Positive tests warrant additional tests at additional cost to the client, as well as potential loss of driving privileges. Inability to provide sufficient samples results in additional costs/potential loss of driving privileges.
- Clippings must be taken from all 10 fingernails, totaling no less than 150 mg, which is about 3 – 4 weeks of growth. **Within 72 hours** of completion of treatment, **the client is responsible for scheduling a biomarker testing appointment** with the Hope Council. However, that test will not take place before six months AFTER the assessment date has passed and never before the Victim Impact Panel has been attended, if required. The required fee of \$115 (alcohol only test) or \$200 (alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, opioids, amphetamines, PCP, and oxycodone test) must be paid before the test will be completed.

Those who are being assessed for **three or more OWI/DUI offenses** will ALSO be tested using fingernails and blood spots at least three times per year (in four- to six-month increments) during the one-year DSP.

- The cost of these tests may be \$200 each. Positive tests will warrant additional tests at additional cost to the client, as well as potential loss of driving privileges. Additional tests due to positive results do not count as one of the three tests during the DSP. Neither does a bloodspot (PEth) count for one of the three tests. Inability to provide sufficient samples will result in additional costs/potential loss of driving privileges. Clippings must be taken from all 10 fingernails, totaling no less than 150 mg, which is about 3 – 4 weeks of growth.
- Any positive tests for alcohol or illegal drugs/drugs not used as prescribed may result in a report of noncompliance being sent to the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation. This will result in a loss of driving privileges until the noncompliance fees are paid and a negative test result is secured. Any client with a positive test result must return to treatment.
- The Driver Safety Plan can only be completed with negative test results, and in the case of those with three or more offenses, there need to be at least two consecutive negative test results. A plan **may** be extended to assist in collecting two consecutive negative tests, but plans may only be extended by four months and only when someone is actively engaged in treatment. If a Driver Safety Plan expires while a client is in noncompliance due to testing, the entire process will need to begin again, starting with a new assessment. This means all fees, including the assessment fee, will have to be paid again.

Failure to provide samples, return phone calls, schedule testing, follow through on testing in a timely manner, or otherwise delaying testing will result in a noncompliance report being sent to the State of Wisconsin DOT. This will result in a loss of driving privileges until the noncompliance fees are paid and a negative test result is secured.

Additionally, **ALL** clients (those with any number of offenses) starting their Driver Safety Plans over due to lack of testing or positive biomarker test results will be denied driving privileges until a negative biomarker test is completed, at the client's cost and request. However, this initial test does not replace any test described above.

Only tests performed at the Hope Council on AODA will be used for compliance with the Driver Safety Plan.

Signature

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