

# The CRAFFT 2.1+N Interview

To be verbally administered by the clinician

**Begin:** "I'm going to ask you a few questions that I ask all my patients. Please be honest. I will keep your answers confidential."

## Part A

During the **PAST 12 MONTHS**, on how many days did you:

1. Drink more than a few sips of beer, wine, or any drink containing **alcohol**? Say "0" if none.

  
# of days

2. Use any **marijuana** (cannabis, weed, oil, wax, or hash by smoking, vaping, dabbing, or in edibles) or "**synthetic marijuana**" (like "K2," "Spice")? Say "0" if none.

  
# of days

3. Use **anything else to get high** (like other illegal drugs, pills, prescription or over-the-counter medications, and things that you sniff, huff, vape, or inject)? Say "0" if none.

  
# of days

4. Use a **vaping device\*** containing **nicotine and/or flavors**, or use any **tobacco products†**? Say "0" if none.

  
# of days

*\*Such as e-cigs, mods, pod devices like JUUL, disposable vapes like Puff Bar, vape pens, or e-hookahs. †Cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, hookahs, chewing tobacco, snuff, snus, dissolvables, or nicotine pouches.*

## If the patient answered...

"0" for all questions in Part A



Ask 1<sup>st</sup> question only  
in Part B below, then STOP

"1" or more for Q. 1, 2, or 3



Ask all 6 questions  
in Part B below

"1" or more for Q. 4



Ask all 10 questions  
in Part C on next page

## Part B

Circle one

**C** Have you ever ridden in a **CAR** driven by someone (including yourself) who was "high" or had been using alcohol or drugs?

No Yes

**R** Do you ever use alcohol or drugs to **RELAX**, feel better about yourself, or fit in?

No Yes

**A** Do you ever use alcohol or drugs while you are by yourself, or **ALONE**?

No Yes

**F** Do you ever **FORGET** things you did while using alcohol or drugs?

No Yes

**F** Do your **FAMILY** or **FRIENDS** ever tell you that you should cut down on your drinking or drug use?

No Yes

**T** Have you ever gotten into **TROUBLE** while you were using alcohol or drugs?

No Yes

**Two or more YES answers in Part B suggests a serious problem that needs further assessment. See Page 3 for further instructions. →**

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## Part C

“The following questions ask about your use of any **vaping devices containing nicotine and/or flavors**, or use of any **tobacco products**.\*”

	Circle one	
	Yes	No
1. Have you ever tried to QUIT using, but couldn't?	Yes	No
2. Do you vape or use tobacco NOW because it is really hard to quit?	Yes	No
3. Have you ever felt like you were ADDICTED to vaping or tobacco?	Yes	No
4. Do you ever have strong CRAVINGS to vape or use tobacco?	Yes	No
5. Have you ever felt like you really NEEDED to vape or use tobacco?	Yes	No
6. Is it hard to keep from vaping or using tobacco in PLACES where you are not supposed to, like school?	Yes	No
7. When you HAVEN'T vaped or used tobacco in a while (or when you tried to stop using)...		
a. did you find it hard to CONCENTRATE because you couldn't vape or use tobacco?	Yes	No
b. did you feel more IRRITABLE because you couldn't vape or use tobacco?	Yes	No
c. did you feel a strong NEED or urge to vape or use tobacco?	Yes	No
d. did you feel NERVOUS, restless, or anxious because you couldn't vape or use tobacco?	Yes	No

**One or more YES answers in Part C suggests a serious problem with nicotine that needs further assessment. See Page 3 for further instructions. →**

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*\*References:*

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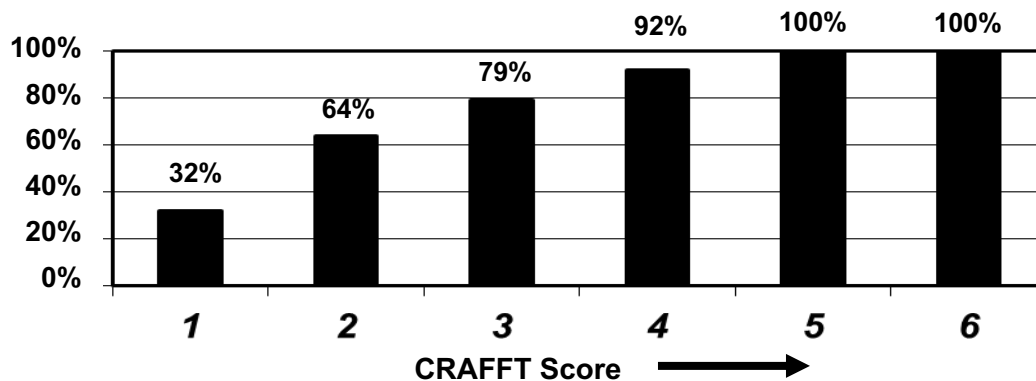
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## CRAFFT Score Interpretation

### Probability of a DSM-5 Substance Use Disorder by CRAFFT score\*



\*Data source: Mitchell SG, Kelly SM, Gryczynski J, Myers CP, O'Grady KE, Kirk AS, & Schwartz RP. (2014). The CRAFFT cut-points and DSM-5 criteria for alcohol and other drugs: a reevaluation and reexamination. *Substance Abuse*, 35(4), 376–80.

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### Use the 5 R's talking points for brief counseling.



1. **REVIEW** screening results  
For each "yes" response: *"Can you tell me more about that?"*



2. **RECOMMEND** not to use  
*"As your doctor (nurse/health care provider), my recommendation is not to use any alcohol, nicotine, marijuana or other drug because they can: 1) Harm your developing brain; 2) Interfere with learning and memory, and 3) Put you in embarrassing or dangerous situations."*



3. **RIDING/DRIVING** risk counseling  
*"Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for young people. I give all my patients the Contract for Life. Please take it home and discuss it with your parents/guardians to create a plan for safe rides home."*



4. **RESPONSE** elicit self-motivational statements  
Non-users: *"If someone asked you why you don't drink, vape, or use tobacco or drugs, what would you say?"* Users: *"What would be some of the benefits of not using?"*



5. **REINFORCE** self-efficacy  
*"I believe you have what it takes to keep substance use from getting in the way of achieving your goals."*

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