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## NEW ADE PASS TRACKING PROGRAM

ADE Incorporated is pleased to announce the upcoming release of the new web-based PASS Tracking Program. The new PASS Tracking Program is based on the current PASS platform used by the majority of our customers.

The PASS Tracking Program complements the assessment only module of the program, allowing customers to track their clients through on-going programs, including: community corrections, probation, treatment, and non-treatment sanctions.

The PASS Tracking Program is customizable to fit the many and varied needs of our customers. Fields can be added to reflect the exact requirements of individual programs. Lists can be

customized, reflecting the actual data being collected by our customers.

The program allows for multiple instances or occurrences of activities within each client. The ability to create and track an on-going history of a client generates new possibilities for our customers.

The PASS Tracking Program also includes modules for maintaining photos, notes, and activity follow-ups for each client. The enhanced module functionality improves communication and documentation capabilities within the database and the customer program.

Visit us at: [www.adeincorp.com/demo\\_signup.htm](http://www.adeincorp.com/demo_signup.htm) and request a demo of our PASS Tracking Program today!



Summer is here!  
DRIVE SAFELY!



# SALCE ASSESSMENT REFRESHER COURSE

The SALCE Assessment is a 98-question, adult, self-reported assessment designed to:

- Provide a standardized, objective and consistent method of gathering information.
- Provide enough valid information about all relevant aspects of a respondent's life to determine the first level of appropriate intervention.
- Provide valid direction for conducting the personal interview.

The SALCE Report can be used to:

- Refer individuals directly to treatment based on the SALCE Summary Score results
- Provide the basis for a personal interview based on test results
- Provide the necessary elements for a psychosocial history
- Provide the basis for development of treatment goals and objectives
- Reinforce or substantiate personal interview results

## **SALCE MODEL**

The SALCE model approaches assessment of an individual's substance use/abuse by examining a broad range of behavior. This model simulates the techniques and procedures that would be employed in the personal interview process. It focuses on, and examines, patterns of respondent answers rather than relying primarily upon answers to individual questions in formulating

the SALCE evaluation.

The goal of this assessment is to arrive at the most appropriate intervention to bring about the required behavior change.

The SALCE report presents assessment information that can be used in a broad range of decision-making situations. The SALCE report includes specific identifiers for making quick decisions for referral to treatment or education, as well as providing detailed information useful in conducting personal interviews.

The SALCE report addresses and includes the following assessment issues: Test Taking Attitude, Life Circumstance Evaluation, Drinking Evaluation Category, Alcohol Addiction Evaluation, Drug Use Evaluation, Recommended Interventions, Summary Score, Important Symptoms, Demographics, BAC and Driving Record.

## **TEST TAKING ATTITUDE**

Since there is generally some concern as to the degree to which a respondent's attitude is impacting the assessment results, the SALCE provides a Test Taking Attitude (TTA) score.

## **LIFE CIRCUMSTANCE EVALUATION**

The SALCE measures several areas of life circumstance stress. This information increases the accuracy of the substance use/abuse assessment, as well as providing meaningful direction for establishing relevant interventions. The SALCE

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evaluates life circumstance stress in two ways. One way is based on an overall calculated score reflected by one of the four classifications. The other is to identify specific areas of stress, which are listed under “Low or Unusual Life Circumstance Ratings” at the end of the SALCE report.

### **DRINKING EVALUATION CATEGORY**

The SALCE assessment utilizes patterns of test responses to identify five categories of drinking behavior. The category evaluations are based upon many different indicators of problem drinking, including symptoms of addiction.

### **ALCOHOL ADDICTION EVALUATION**

In addition to the Drinking Evaluation Category, the SALCE provides a specific Alcohol Addiction Evaluation. This evaluation reports the degree to which respondents identify with symptoms of tolerance, loss of control and withdrawal.

### **DRUG USE EVALUATION**

The SALCE Drug Use Evaluation measures if and when the respondent has used drugs other than alcohol, and the results of this use. Based upon the outcome, one of the drug use categories will appear on the SALCE report.

### **SALCE RECOMMENDED INTERVENTIONS**

The recommended intervention section of the SALCE report presents the following information to help guide referral decisions: Overall Summary Scores, Current Substance

Abuse Status, Suggested DSM-IV Classifications, Substance Abuse Referrals based on ASAM Guidelines, and Notes on specific issues to be considered.

### **OVERALL SUMMARY SCORES**

Summary Scores give a quick, accurate reflection of a respondent’s total results. Since there are many items which make up the SALCE report, such as: Test Taking Attitude, Life Circumstance Evaluation, Drinking Category, as well as driving record information, the Summary Score provides a helpful reference for all of this information.

Summary Scores represent a range of problematic involvement with alcohol and drugs, and the attitudes and life style patterns, which surround this involvement.

### **CURRENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE STATUS**

A description of the respondent’s current substance abuse status is provided focusing on alcohol and other drugs, last use, history of treatment and AA/NA. This description summarizes the DSM-IV and Substance Abuse Referral sections. An example of a Current Substance Abuse Status description is:

“This person identifies with behavior and symptoms associated with both drinking and drug use problems. Cross dependence appears likely. His recent use of alcohol and other drugs indicate a need to evaluate the possibility for detoxification.”

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### **SUGGESTED DSM-IV CLASSIFICATIONS**

Based on all the information available, suggested DSM-IV Diagnostic Classifications of substance dependence and abuse are made. When indicated by drug use disclosure, these suggested classifications are then tied to the first and second most frequently used drugs during the past year, and when these drugs were last used. Both alcohol and drug dependence and abuse are reported.

### **SUBSTANCE ABUSE REFERRALS BASED ON ASAM GUIDELINES**

In addition to a Summary Score, which indicates a general level of substance abuse severity, the SALCE also suggests a more specific substance abuse referral based upon the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Guidelines. The SALCE provides referral recommendations based on respondent answers to the SALCE survey.

### **NOTES ON SPECIFIC ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED IN REFERRAL**

Also, specific issues which may need consideration in making referrals, appear as Notes. Areas addressed in these Notes would be issues such as respondent attitude, unusual life stresses and/or the need for detoxification or residential treatment.

An example of such a Note is:

NOTE: There is evidence to suggest that this person may have a naïve or uncooperative attitude regarding the seriousness of his/her inappropriate or irresponsible use of alcohol or drugs. This attitude may reflect an immaturity in this person's problem-identification and decision-making abilities.

### **POSSIBLE AREAS OF CONCERN**

A list of important respondent question responses and driving record information is also provided. This list provides further support and clarification for the SALCE evaluations in the body of the report. It also provides valuable information for conducting a personal interview, should one be necessary.

### **USING THE SALCE REPORT**

The SALCE report is designed to assess a respondent's substance use/abuse and to assist in determining the appropriate level of intervention to achieve the desired behavior change. The way in which the SALCE is used to meet these objectives will depend on many factors, including program philosophy, level of trained staff, time and logistical constraints.

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For court and programs with experienced and available staff, the SALCE can provide the necessary information for deciding the level of personal interview needed to further clarify the intervention referral. If a personal interview is conducted, the SALCE report can save time and effort by defining, before the interview is started, the probable cause of substance use/abuse, the attitude of the respondent and the specific issues to pursue during the interview itself.

Conducting personal interviews in conjunction with the SALCE report will tend to focus on the specific referral requirements and less on determining if there is a need for treatment or education. This type of interview can usually be accomplished in 15 to 30 minutes.

Where circumstances place limitations on available staff to provide substance abuse assessments, the SALCE substance abuse referral following ASAM guidelines can be used to place respondents with the appropriate resources without first conducting a personal interview.

## NEW PASS TRACKING IN BETA TESTING PHASE

ADE Incorporated's new PASS Tracking Program is currently in the beta testing phase of development. Several ADE customers are working closely with the development team to provide continuous feedback on the enhanced software functions and program applications. Through testing and on-going customer feedback, the program continues to evolve. The customizable nature allows for individual program fit also.

ADE Incorporated's PASS Tracking Program is case management software designed to provide efficient, real-time recording, helpful client monitoring, and compliant client tracking in a cost effective, easy-to-use database.

The ADE PASS Tracking software is one of the finest database and client tracking programs, for the price, on the market. The ability to customize fields and modules, as well as to receive LIVE customer support, five days a week, makes this product a fine choice for any program with a limited budget.

Contact ADE Incorporated today for a demo of the new PASS Tracking Program!



**ADE Incorporated** is a respected provider of assessment and case management software for substance abuse programs.

**ADE Incorporated** is dedicated to the development and support of quality products designed to meet the evaluation, assessment, tracking and reporting needs of professionals working in the field of substance abuse evaluation and assessment.

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