Sample

PSYCHIATRIC INTERVIEW: DSM-IV ALCOHOL

Statement C1: How I'd like to ask you about experiences people have reported in connection with their drinking.

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: PROBE AS NEEDED FOR CHRONOLOGICAL PATTERNS AND CLUSTERS OF OCCURRENCE OF POSITIVE QUESTIONS (SYMPTOMS) AS YOU GO THROUGH THIS SECTION, SO THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE AT LEAST SOME OF THE INFORMATION FOR THE RECAPITULATION QUESTIONS WHEN YOU REACH THEM.

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, SYMPTOMS MUST FULFILL FREQUENCY AND SEVERITY CRITERIA IN MIDDLE COLUMN TO BE CODED "3."

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BOX 1

Have you ever...
(REPEAT FREQUENTLY)

1. ... driven a car after having several drinks? (PAUSE) Or when you had too much to drink? How about driving a motorcycle, truck, van, or any other kind of vehicle? or a boat? (How were you feeling at that/those times)? How many times have you done that? Do you think that ever happened as much as 6 times in a year? What about 3 times in a year?

Recurrent alcohol use when such use is physically hazardous: driving (with or without license)
- must occur 6 or more times within any 1-year period
- must occur 3 or more times within any 1-year period, if accompanied by accident, legal problem, or clear intoxication to the point of substantial impairment
- if drove after 1-3 drinks, explore for effects of alcohol before rating (include even minimal effects, e.g. "just feels relaxed")
- include driving after 4 or more drinks
- must remember actual occasions of hazardous use unless they occurred during alcoholic blackouts

2. ... been in any other situation while you were drinking or after drinking that increased your chances of getting hurt? Some examples could be swimming, using machinery, or using power equipment. (What did you do?) How were you feeling at that/those times)? How often did you do that? Do you think that ever happened as much as 6 times in a year? What about 3 times in a year?

Recurrent alcohol use when such use is physically hazardous: situations other than driving
- must occur 6 or more times within any 1-year period
- must occur 3 or more times within any 1-year period, if accompanied by accident, legal problem, or clear intoxication to the point of substantial impairment
- must feel effects of alcohol at the time
- if engaged in the activity after 1-3 drinks, explore for the effects of alcohol before rating
- include if subject had 4 or more drinks, engaged in the activity, and reports feeling "relaxed" from the alcohol
- include activities that are unsafe due to effects of intoxication on attention, response time, etc.
- exclude activities that are hazardous whether drinking or not
- must remember actual occasions of hazardous use unless they occurred during alcoholic blackouts
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<td><strong>3a. ... had a problem getting along with other people because of your drinking?</strong>&lt;br&gt;Examples could be arguments or friction with family members, friends, people at work, or anyone else. (Can you describe that to me? How often did it happen? Did that also happen when you weren't drinking? Was it worse when you were drinking?)</td>
<td>Persistent or recurrent social/interpersonal problem that is caused or exacerbated by the effects of alcohol-arguments or friction&lt;br&gt;- must occur at least once a week for 1 month or twice a month for 2 months&lt;br&gt;- arguments can be while drinking or about the effects of the alcohol, e.g., behavior or affect while drinking&lt;br&gt;- must be active arguing or extended silent disapproval or tension&lt;br&gt;- if no problems because changed friends, probe for problems leading to the change in friends</td>
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<td><strong>3b. ... found that other people stayed away from you because of your drinking?</strong>&lt;br&gt;(Can you describe that to me? How often did it happen? Did that also happen when you weren't drinking? Was it worse when you were drinking?)</td>
<td>Persistent or recurrent social/interpersonal problem that is caused or exacerbated by the effects of alcohol-social rejection&lt;br&gt;- must occur at least once a week for 1 month or twice a month for 2 months&lt;br&gt;- if no problems because changed friends, probe for problems leading to the change in friends&lt;br&gt;- caused end of relationship</td>
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<td><strong>3c. ... had a time when you had physical fights with people while you were drinking?</strong>&lt;br&gt;Did you have any other problems with people related to your drinking? (Can you describe that to me? How often did it happen? Did that also happen when you weren't drinking? Was it worse when you were drinking?)</td>
<td>Persistent or recurrent social/interpersonal problem that is caused or exacerbated by the effects of alcohol-other social problems&lt;br&gt;- must occur at least once a week for 1 month or twice a month for 2 months&lt;br&gt;- include physical fights and any other social problems not coded in 6.3a or 6.3b (above)</td>
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<td><strong>3d. Do you think there was any change in your drinking as a result of (this/those) experience(s)?</strong>&lt;br&gt;(Can you describe that to me?)</td>
<td>Continued drinking despite having persistent or recurrent social or interpersonal problems caused or exacerbated by the effects of the alcohol&lt;br&gt;- need not acknowledge awareness of alcohol's contribution to problem&lt;br&gt;- significant amount of time between occurrence of the problem and cutting down or stopping = &quot;2&quot;&lt;br&gt;- aware of problem and cut down, but problem continues at minimal level = &quot;1&quot;&lt;br&gt;- discontinued alcohol use as soon as became aware of problem = &quot;0&quot;</td>
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<td><strong>Have you ever...</strong>&lt;br&gt;(REPEAT FREQUENTLY)&lt;br&gt;4. ...found that you couldn't get to work or do your work well because of your drinking? What about not getting to work or not working very well because of the aftereffects of drinking? (Can you describe that to me? How often did it happen? Did that also happen when you weren't drinking? Was it worse when you were drinking?)&lt;br&gt;Recurrent drinking resulting in a failure to fulfill major role obligations at work&lt;br&gt;- absences or poor performance must occur at least once a week for 1 month or twice a month for 2 months&lt;br&gt;- include repeated absences from work, or poor work performance related to drinking&lt;br&gt;- subject always performs poorly at work, even if not drinking = <strong>1</strong>&lt;br&gt;- got fired or could not hold a job due to drinking = <strong>2</strong>&lt;br&gt;- include self-employment and childcare as employment&lt;br&gt;7 1 2 3 7 1 2 3</td>
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<td>**5. ...been absent a lot from school, suspended or expelled from school because of your drinking? Did any of these things happen because of the effects of your drinking on your school work? Was there ever a time when your grades were lower than they could have been because of your drinking? (Can you describe that to me? How often did it happen? Did that also happen when you weren't drinking? Was it worse when you were drinking?)&lt;br&gt;Recurrent drinking resulting in a failure to fulfill major role obligations at school&lt;br&gt;- absences or poor performance must occur at least once a week for 1 month or twice a month for 2 months&lt;br&gt;- include drinking-related absences from school, as well as suspensions or expulsions from school related in any way to drinking&lt;br&gt;- habitual drinking rather than studying = <strong>3</strong>&lt;br&gt;- subject always performs poorly at school, even if not drinking = <strong>4</strong>&lt;br&gt;7 1 2 3 7 1 2 3</td>
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<td>**6. ...had times when your drinking made it hard for you to take care of (your/ someone's) children? (Can you describe that to me? How often did it happen? Did that also happen when you weren't drinking? Was it worse when you were drinking?)&lt;br&gt;Recurrent drinking resulting in failure to fulfill major role obligations: neglect of children&lt;br&gt;- must occur at least once a week for 1 month or twice a month for 2 months&lt;br&gt;- clear intoxication or withdrawal not required&lt;br&gt;- may include poor judgment or irresponsibility associated with drinking when responsible for children&lt;br&gt;- exclude childcare as employment&lt;br&gt;7 1 2 3 7 1 2 3</td>
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<td>**7. ...had a time when your drinking made it hard for you to do housework that needed to be done? (Can you describe that to me? How often did it happen? Did that also happen when you weren't drinking? Was it worse when you were drinking?)&lt;br&gt;Recurrent drinking resulting in failure to fulfill major role obligations: neglect of household&lt;br&gt;- must occur at least once a week for 1 month or twice a month for 2 months&lt;br&gt;- clear intoxication or withdrawal not required&lt;br&gt;- drinking must be associated with deteriorated household&lt;br&gt;7 1 2 3 7 1 2 3</td>
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### PRISM SECTION 3 - DSM-IV ALCOHOL (CONT.)

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#### Have you ever...
(Repeat Frequently)

8. ...had any legal problems related to your drinking? Examples could include being arrested or picked up by the police for how you were acting when you'd been drinking, or having a car accident after you'd been drinking. Did you have any contact with the police about anything to do with drinking, for example, shoplifting to get money for alcohol? (What happened?) How many times did this happen? Did you have any other legal problems related to your drinking?

- Recurrent legal problems associated with drinking
  - Include any interactions with the police about behavior while intoxicated
  - Include arrests, etc., for activities to obtain money for alcohol
  - Exclude legal problems in times of abstinance
    - Occurred only once = **2**
    - Occurrence of any legal problems more than once within a 12-month period = **3**

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* (IS AT LEAST 1 QUESTION IN BOXES 1-4, COLUMN 1, CODED =**3**)
* (DO NOT COUNT 0.1% CODED =**2**)

- NO - SKIP TO CHECK ITEM 3.5, PAGE 21
- YES

### Statement C.2:
I'm going to go back over the experience(s) you mentioned with alcohol in the last 12 months.

9. You mentioned that in the last 12 months you... **CHECK SUBJECT OF ALL QUESTIONS CODED =**3** IN BOXES 1-4, COLUMN 1, BEGINNING ON PAGE 17**. When was the most recent time (this experience was) any of these experiences were happening?

- Recency/offset of current alcohol abuse symptoms
  - Offset is rated for most recent time when any abuse symptoms would be rated =**3**

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* (IS AT LEAST 1 QUESTION IN BOXES 1-4, COLUMN 11, CODED =**3**)

- NO - SKIP TO 0.10
- YES - GO TO STATEMENT C.3

### Statement C.3:
In answering the next few questions, I'd like you to think about all the experiences with alcohol you've just mentioned, the ones in the past, as well as the ones that happened in the last 12 months. **REMEMBER SUBJECTS OF EXPERIENCES CODED =**3** IN COLUMN 11, BOXES 1-4.**

#### Age if Not Known:
10. In your entire life, when would you say you first had (this experience/any of these experiences) with alcohol?

- Onset of initial alcohol abuse episode
  - Onset is dated when any abuse symptom would first be rated =**3**

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#### Remission from Alcohol Abuse Lasting at Least a Year
11. In your entire life, was there ever a time lasting at least a year when (this/these) experience(s) with alcohol weren't happening at all?

- Remission from alcohol abuse lasting at least a year
  - Total abstinence for at least 1 year = **3**
  - If not abstinent, must be symptom-free for at least 1 year

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ASK IF NOT KNOWN:
12. When did these experiences with alcohol start happening again most recently? Onset of most recent episode of alcohol abuse
- onset is time of most recent recurrence of any abuse symptom at a level rated "3"

MONTHS AGO

AGE (IF MORE THAN 12 MONTHS AGO)

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: SKIP TO 0.17, PAGE 22

CHECK ITEM
3.3
ALCOHOL ABUSE PRIOR TO THE LAST 12 MONTHS?
(IS AT LEAST 1 QUESTION IN BOXES 1-4, COLUMN II, CODED "5")

☐ NO - SKIP TO 0.17, PAGE 22
☐ YES

Statement 6.4: I'm going to go back over the experience(s) you mentioned with alcohol in the past.

13. You mentioned that in the past you (REMEMBER SUBJECT OF ANY QUESTIONS CODED "3" IN BOXES 1-4, COL. II). About how old were you when (this experience/any of these experiences) first happened? Onset of initial alcohol abuse episode
- onset is dated when any abuse symptom would first be rated "3"

AGE

ASK IF NOT KNOWN:
14. In the past, was there ever a time lasting at least a year when you stopped drinking entirely?

IF NO, ASK: Was there ever a time in the past lasting at least a year when (this/these) experience(s) with alcohol weren't happening at all?

Remission from alcohol abuse lasting at least a year in the past
- total abstinence for at least 1 year = "3"
- if not abstinent, must be symptom-free for at least 1 year

1 NO - SKIP TO 0.16
3 YES

15. After that time when you stopped drinking (this/these) experience(s) with alcohol, was there a time when (it/they) began to happen again? Recurrence of alcohol abuse
- at least 1 abuse symptom must reoccur to be considered recurrence
- can be coded "YES" even if remitted later

1 NO
3 YES

16. How old were you when you last had (this experience/any of these experiences) with alcohol? Recency/offset of alcohol abuse episode
- offset is most recent time when any abuse symptom would last be rated "3"

AGE