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TO: County Alcohol and Drug Program Administrators  
Licensed Driving-Under-the-Influence (DUI) Program Providers  
DUI County Coordinators

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA DUI REGULATION AMENDMENTS – Assessment of  
Participants' Alcohol or Drug Problem

REFERENCE: California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 3,  
Section 9849

This letter advises licensed Driving-Under-the-Influence (DUI) Program providers on the enactment of changes to the California Code of Regulations, Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 3, Section 9849, relating to the assessment of participants' alcohol or drug problem.

Section 9849(a) states "Within the first 60 days of participation, the DUI program shall complete an assessment of each participant's alcohol or drug use. The assessment shall address patterns and history of alcohol and other drug use, addiction treatment history, gender, age, work status, family substance abuse history, legal history, and current health status." All participants including those charged with wet and reckless must have an assessment completed within the first 60 days of enrollment.

DUI Program providers may continue the use of currently utilized assessment tools such as the ASI, ASI Lite, CAGE, MAC, MAST, DAST, RIASI, SNALE/NEEDS, and SASSI. This list is not inclusive of all assessment tools that may be used; however, if the assessment tool used does not include all required elements, an addendum to the tool may be used to be compliant with Title 9 Regulations. Attached is a sample of an assessment that contains all the required elements delineated in the regulations.

If you have questions regarding assessment, contact your assigned DUI Program analyst or ADP's Office of Criminal Justice Collaboration, DUI Program Branch at (916) 445-7456.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: [Sample Assessment](#)



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