DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING

Not everything you need to know

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TOXICOLOGY/DRUG MATRICES:

- Oral Fluids/Saliva (Strips, Swabs)
- Breath (Breathalyzers, Ignition Interlock devices)
- Blood (PEth/THC or other medically authorized lab procedures)
- Urine Screens (Chemical or IA) or GC/MS, LC/MS/MS) for EtG/EtS & Drug Panels
- Hair (Head, Axillary, Body) for EtG or Drugs
- Sweat/Transdermal (Patch, SCRAM)
- Finger/Toenails for EtG/Drugs

QUESTIONS TO ASK

- Is the concern a current problem (within the past 12 months)?
- How much of a factor is the stress of the divorce?
- Has use occurred during parenting time/Does use impact parenting?
- Documented history vs. "He said, She said"?

CONSIDERATIONS

- What is the goal of testing?
- Testing for parenting time only? Abstinence?
- What Tests to Use?
- Window of Detection?
- Frequency of Testing: Random, Fixed, Periodic, Per Request
- Duration of Testing (depends on mild, moderate or severe substance use disorder based on DSM-V/ASAM Placement)
- Response to Missed, Dilute or Positive Tests

WHEN TO USE EACH TEST

- Breath testing (soberlink)
- Urine testing (EtG + drugs/EtG/EtS + other drugs)
- Blood testing (PEth, THC, Prescription Drugs)
- Hair testing (Head, axillary and body)
- Fingernails/Toenails testing
- Transdermal (SCRAM)

Every Lab will have different drugs on their panels

Urine Drug Panels								Par	els:
	17	16	15	14	12	10	9	7	5
Amphetamines amphetamine, MDA, MDEA, MDMA, methamphetamine	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Cannabinoids carboxy-THC	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Cocaine benzoylecgonine	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Opiates codeine, hydrocodone, hydromorphone, morphine	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Phencyclidine phencyclidine (PCP)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Benzodiazepines 7-aminoclonazepam, 7-aminoflunitrazepam, 2-hydroxyethylflurazepam, α-hydroxymidazolam, 7-aminonitrazepam, α-hydroxytriazolam, α-hydroxyalprazolam [‡] , nordiazepam [‡] , lorazepam [‡] , oxazepam [‡] , temazepam [‡] ^{‡Onty} denoted analytes included in 7- and 9-panels. All analytes included in 10-panel and above.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•*	
Barbiturates amobarbital, butalbital, pentobarbital, phenobarbital, secobarbital	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Methadone EDDP, methadone	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
Propoxyphene	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
Oxycodone oxycodone, oxymorphone	•	•	•	•	•	•			
Meperidine normeperidine	•	•	•	•	•				
Tramadol tramadol	•	•	•	•	•				
Fentanyl alfentanil, fentanyl, norfentanyl	•	•	•	•					
Sufentanil sufentanil (e.g. Sufenta®), norsufentanil	•	•	•	•					
Buprenorphine buprenorphine, norbuprenorphine	•	•	•						
Carisoprodol carisoprodol (e.g. Soma®), meprobamate (e.g. Equagesic®)	•	•							
Zolpidem zolpidem (e.g. Ambien®), zolpidem phenyl-4-carboxylic acid	•								
Note: Ethanol is included in panels 10 and above.									

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WEB LINKS/RESOURCES

www.medtox.com

- www.questdiagnostics.com
- www.samhsa.gov (Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Admin.)
- www.usdtl.com (United States Drug Testing Lab.)
- www.etg.weebly.com (Dr. Greg Skipper's website)
- www.5280drugtesting.com (Denver/Centennial,CO)
- <u>https://www.soberlink.com</u> (Soberlink)
- <u>https://www.bactrack.com</u> (BACtrack)