NCADA: THE PLACE TO TURN

Since 1965, NCADA has been the place to turn for individuals and families needing help with – or information about – alcohol and other drugs and related problems.

NCADA is a proud United Way member agency and a certified prevention agency of the Missouri Division of Mental Health. It meets all 20 of the Better Business Bureau’s standards for charity accountability, and has been designated by the Missouri Department of Economic Development as a Youth Opportunities Program provider.

For nearly 30 years, NCADA has been a primary provider of substance use prevention services for young people in the greater St. Louis area. Through its more than 40 prevention programs, NCADA serves more than 75,000 students annually in over 280 schools.

FOR MORE INFO:
ncada-stl.org

need help?

Assessment Services
Confidential interviews to determine if there are substance use issues and ensure that people who need help get it.
Who Can Refer To NCADA?
Individuals, family members, professionals, places of employment, and private or public organizations may all refer people to NCADA for an assessment.

How Long Does An Assessment Last?
On average, an assessment takes about 90 minutes, but the time can vary depending on the individual and the situation.

Where Does NCADA Conduct Its Assessments?
Assessments take place, in privacy, at NCADA’s main offices at 9355 Olive Boulevard in Olivette, Missouri. (That’s on the north side of Olive, 1/2 mile west of I-170.)

Who Will Know The Results Of The Assessment?
The results are confidential and available to the individual. We will not share assessment results, even with an employer or court, without written permission. With permission, NCADA counselors will share only the recommendations they have made for follow-up steps, not personal information.

How Are Assessments Scheduled?
An assessment can be scheduled by calling NCADA at 314.962.3456, or on the web at ncada-stl.org. Every effort will be made to arrange an appointment promptly.

NCADA is an independent agency that offers substance use assessment evaluations and counseling. We do not provide treatment. If NCADA counselors conclude that an individual needs treatment, they will review the options – including self-help – determine which are most appropriate, and make a recommendation.

If NCADA refers an individual to a treatment program or service, it’s up to the individual to arrange for treatment with the provider of the service.

WHAT IS AN ALCOHOL/DRUG ASSESSMENT?
An assessment is an interview conducted by a substance use disorder professional. During an interview, our state-credentialed counselors will determine:

1. Does the person have a substance use disorder and, if so, to what degree?
2. If there is a problem, what options does the individual have for dealing with it?

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF AN ASSESSMENT?
The goal is to ensure that everyone who needs help gets help.

NCADA counselors understand that not every person who uses drugs has a substance use disorder – but they still may have a problem. Our counselors are careful to make these distinctions and, in making recommendations, they pay close attention to the needs and circumstances of each individual and family.

To schedule an assessment or get more information, call 314.962.3456 or visit ncada-stl.org/find-help.

Adult assessments are $25, with payment required at the time of the appointment. (Substance use assessments typically cost over $125; NCADA is able to offer this reduced rate thanks to the generosity of our funders.)