

Summary
Warning signs of AOD Use Disorders, Including Addiction
And Characteristics of 21 High School Students Referred to STARR
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Age 15 or Younger:

- age 15 or under when first started to use cigarettes: 77%
- age 15 or under when first started to use marijuana: 71%
- age 15 or under when first started to drink alcohol: 55%
- referred as a freshman or sophomore: 38%
- age 15 or under when first started to use other drugs illegally (prescriptions or other): 25%
- age 15 or under when first referred to intervention: 25%

Family History:

- Family history of AOD problems or addiction: 57%
- Diagnosed with ADD or ADHD: 10%

History of trouble over AOD:

- been in other trouble while under the influence: 67%
- Driving or riding with driver under the influence: 57%
- been in a fight or argument while under the influence: 47%
- been trouble with police: 35%
- citation for Minor in Possession (MIP): 25%
- cited for other charge (not DUI or MIP): 25%
- been hurt or injured while/after using AOD: 20%
- Driven under the influence: 19%
- been hospitalized or had to go to the ER while under the influence: 14%
- had unwanted, unplanned, and/or unprotected sex while under the influence: 14%

Other:

- forget things you did while using AOD: 57%
- family or friends tell you that you should cut down on your AOD use: 43%
- ever use AOD to relax, feel better about yourself, or fit in: 38%
- use AOD while you are by yourself, alone: 28%
- performed poorly on a test or project while/after using AOD: 19%
- experienced previous intervention: 10%

Other characteristics: 76% Referred for ALCOHOL