CAGE Questions

CAGE-AID QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever felt you ought to cut down or stop using alcohol or other drugs? (Cut down.)

2. Has anyone annoyed you or gotten on your nerves by telling you to cut down or stop drinking or using drugs? (Annoyed.)

3. Have you felt guilty or bad about how much you drink or use? (Guilty.)

4. Have you been waking up wanting to have an alcoholic drink or use drugs? (Eye-Opener)

CAGE-DV

1. Have you ever felt Controlled or threatened by your partner?

2. Has anyone Annoyed you or gotten on your nerves by expressing concern about your partner’s behavior towards you?

3. Have you felt Guilty or bad about how your partner treats you?

4. How often do you wake up anxious, afraid or wanting to Escape your partner?

Remember to ask direct questions tactfully and respectfully!

These questions may help advocates and other providers identify accommodation needs for people using services. Answers to these questions are NOT used to screen people out. They are provided to help advocates assist individuals addressing safety or health risks stemming from multiple abuse issues. To ensure confidentiality, do not include answers to these or other assessment questions in an individual’s file.