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Diagnostic & Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5)

How many of the following symptoms has your loved one experienced within the last year? Check all that apply.

- O The substance is often taken in larger amounts or over a longer period than was intended.
- O There is a persistent desire or unsuccessful effort to cut down or control use of the substance.
- O A great deal of time is spent in activities to obtain the substance, use the substance, or recover from its effects.
- O Craving, or a strong desire or urge to use the substance, occurs.
- O Recurrent use of the substance results in a failure to fulfill major role obligations at work, school, or home.
- O Use of the substance continues despite having persistent or recurrent social or relationship problems caused or made worse by the effects of its use.
- O Important social, occupational, or recreational activities are given up or reduced because of use of the substance.
- O Use of the substance is recurrent in situations in which it is physically hazardous.
- O Use of the substance is continued despite knowledge of having a persistent or recurrent physical or psychological problem that is likely to have been caused or made worse by the substance.
- O Tolerance, as defined by either a need for increased substance use for the desired effect or a markedly diminished effect with use of the same amount.
- O Withdrawal symptoms are present when not using the substance.

Your Score:

Mild 2-3

Moderate
4-5
SYMPTOMS

Severe 6+

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