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## **Brief Negotiated Interview (BNI) Algorithm**

1. Raise the subject	Is it OK if we discuss the health & wellness questionnaire you completed?
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2. Pros & Cons Elicit	Help me understand the good things about using [X]. What are some of the negatives?
Summarize	So, on the one hand [PROS], and on the other hand [CONS].
<b>3. Information &amp; feedback</b> Provide	I have some information on low-risk guidelines for drinking and drug use, would you mind if I shared them with you?
	We know that  • drinking 4 or more (Women) / 5 or more (Men)-drinks in a few hours,  • drinking more than 7 (Women) / 14 (Men) drinks in a week, and/or  • using illicit drugs of any kind
	can put you at risk for social or legal problems, as well as illness and injury. It can also cause health problems like [insert medical information].
Elicit	What do you thi <b>nk about tha</b> t?
4. Readiness ruler	On a scale from 1–10, with 1 being not ready at all and 10 being completely ready, how ready are you to change your [X] use?
Reinforce positives	You marked That means you're% ready to make a change!
Ask about lower number	Why did you choose that number and not a lower one like a 1 or 2?
5. Negotiate a plan	What are some steps you can take to reduce your risk? What will help you to reduce the things you don't like about using [X]?
ldentify strengths & supports	What supports do you have for making this change? How can you use those supports/resources to help you now?
Have patient write down steps	Why don't we write down your Prescription for Change? This is what I heard you say
Offer appropriate resources	I have some additional resources that people sometimes find helpful. Would you like to hear about them?

• Primary care, outpatient counseling, mental health treatment