

**The Greater Providence Area (GPA) Service Committee of NA – March 24, 2013**

***The next meeting will be held on April 28, 2013***

**Area Meeting Times:**

Administration	12:30 to 2:00pm
Literature Sales	1:45 to 2:45pm
Subcommittees	2:00 to 3:00pm
New GSR Orientation	3:15 to 3:30pm
Area Service Meeting	3:30 to 5:30pm

**Area Service Meeting Agenda:**

1. Meeting called to order / Moment of silence / Service prayer
2. Reading of the Twelve Concepts
3. Introduction / Roll Call / GSR Report
4. Officer reports including: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer
5. Regional Committee Member Report
6. Board of Directors Report
7. Subcommittee Reports including: Activities, Convention, Finance, Hospitals and Institutions, Literature, Phone Line, Policy, Public Information, Corrections, Website
8. Old Business
9. New Business
10. Motions (submitted at beginning of ASC meeting)
11. Open Forum

**Roll Call and GSR Reports:**

*Groups in Attendance 20*

*Total Area Meetings 47            \*=GSR representation*

12 Steps in the Old Chapel	Opt for Life*
Basic Text	Ray of Hope
Better Way	Recovery and Beyond
Breakfast Club	Recovery in the Chapel*
Change or Die*	Recovery in the Country
Choose Life	Recovery in the Day
Clean & Crazy	Recovery in the Lake
Dig Deep	Recovery is More than Abstinence*
Faith in Recovery*	Resurrection*
Gimme Shelter*	Road to Recovery*
Hardcore Recovery	Set -em Free*
Jamestown NA	Sisters in Recovery
K.I.S.S.*	Smith Hill NA
Late Nite	Start your Nite Right*
Latino NA	Starting Over*
Living Clean	Step Sisters* <i>in need of support</i>
Living Free*	Stepping into Recovery
Loveline	Straight Today
Meeting Street Meeting	Stepping Out Wednesday
NA in the Day*	Sunday Serenity/Insanity*
Never Alone Again	Surrender or Die*
New Associations*	The Lie is Dead
New Way of Life	We do Recover* <i>in need of support</i>
	Why are we Here* <i>in need of support</i>

## Announcements:

1. Combined H&I Learning Day, Greater Providence Area along with Free Spirit Area: Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 12-4pm, Anchor Recovery Center, 249 Main St., Pawtucket, RI 02860
2. Group 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, We Do Recover, 133 Delaine St. Providence, Apr. 30<sup>th</sup>, Food, Fun, Fellowship. Food donations gratefully accepted.
3. NA World Service has a veteran's survey out. If you are a veteran or know a veteran that is in NA and would like to fill one out it can be found at the end of the minutes in Addendum 2 or you can get one from the point of contact, Doug L. 401-489-8100
4. **IMPORTANT:** The Greater Providence Area Service Committee is sending an Area Survey out to all groups (Please see addendum 2 at the end of the minutes). GSRs are encouraged to take this survey back to your groups and get their input. Please bring completed surveys to the next Area Service Meeting in April. Please help us to help you.
5. The Greater Providence Area of Narcotics Anonymous will host the next New England Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Meeting at Anchor Recovery Center, 249 Main St., Pawtucket, RI 02860. The agenda will be: Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>, Regional Subcommittee Meetings, 12:00pm-5:00pm, and Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup>, Regional Service Committee Meeting, 11:00am-5:00pm. All are welcome.

## Administrative Reports:

Chair: James M./401-516-3863/no email

All is well, I have nothing to report this month. ILS/James M.

Vice Chair: John N./774-208-2285/[jnorton@paragonnt.com](mailto:jnorton@paragonnt.com)

No report given.

Secretary: Gail L./401-954-6642/[gaillandi@yahoo.com](mailto:gaillandi@yahoo.com)

Alternate Secretary: Tara B./401-419-2883/no email

I submitted receipts in the amount of \$68.18 to the treasurer for reimbursement of secretarial expenses for the past 4 months (Dec 2012 thru Mar 2013). Expenses incurred are for stamps, copies, envelopes, etc.

All of the administrative forms, templates etc. dealing with secretarial position have been digitized and I have sent a copy to the website coordinator to upload to gpana.org website for future use. As soon as they are uploaded members will be able to download motion forms, announcement forms etc. directly from our website.

ILS/Gail

Treasurer: Peter S./401-255-7197/[peter041486@yahoo.com](mailto:peter041486@yahoo.com)

Alternate Treasurer: Jim D./401-261-5473/[jimd12102008@aol.com](mailto:jimd12102008@aol.com)

See the attached treasurer's report.

Board of Directors: Wanda B./401-226-2698/[wsbnaiou2@aol.com](mailto:wsbnaiou2@aol.com)

The BOD met on 3/6/13. Taxes were discussed. Our taxes can be filed as long as it is under \$50,000. The BOD has reached out to Courtney who is happy to help us file our taxes since there is no finance chair and he was the previous chair. It is our understanding that this is a quick process as long as the treasurer from the BOD can confirm we are under the \$50,000 threshold for filing without details. It was decided that Wanda and Rob would alternate attending the Convention Comm. Mtg. Also, Rob will attend the Administrative Meeting and

I will attend the Area Meeting. In the event that we are unable to attend we will make sure someone else will cover.

Please include in the minutes there is an open spon on the BOD.

Next BOD Meeting will be held at John Hope on 4/10/13 at 5:30.

ILS/Wanda B.

Regional Committee Member (RCM): John D./401-744-1260/[john.delicio03@gmail.com](mailto:john.delicio03@gmail.com)

Alternate RCM: Ned L./774-254-7968/[nedlandry4@gmail.com](mailto:nedlandry4@gmail.com)

There is no report for this month as region only meets bi-monthly. Please see our report for last month.

ILS, Ned L. / John D.

Activities: Charlene L/401-516-5581/[sassymb411@aol.com](mailto:sassymb411@aol.com)

No report given.

Convention: Susan W. /401-438-2375/[susanw87@verizon.net](mailto:susanw87@verizon.net)

We last met on 3/17/13. Everything is going well. We have settled on a theme and logo.

The theme is "TOGETHER WE CAN, ALONE WE CAN'T" and the logo has wings wit hands holding across the NA symbol, you will have to wait to see.

There are 3 positions open which are alt. secretary, arts and graphics and convention information. They all have a 2 year clean time requirement. Please announce these openings at meetings you attend.

Our closing balance was \$6279.30 with expenses \$94.54 and income \$60.00

Our next meeting is Sunday 4/21/13 from 2-4 at anchor recovery. Please come to our next meeting if you are interested in one of the open positions. Please talk to me if you have any questions about one of these positions open.

Your convention needs your support. The fundraising and entertainment subcommittee is looking for members to help plan events, please contact myself or the chair Daryl F. 919-0220 if you are interested in this subsomm. and would like more information.

Thank you.

ILS/Susan W.

Finance: *Open—see information at the end of minutes for qualifications.*

Hospitals and Institutions: Brenda B./ 401-654-7658/[brenda.lee102@yahoo.com](mailto:brenda.lee102@yahoo.com)

Vice Chair: Sully D./401-261-1482/[sullyna1999@yahoo.com](mailto:sullyna1999@yahoo.com)

H&I had 21 members in attendance this month. There were 29 commitments 21 were filled. Attendance is steadily growing.

There was more discussion that continued this month with Butler Hospital. More information was given to the body. There is still more information coming in and H&I will continue this issue to next month.

H&I is putting on a Learning Day. The date will be May 4<sup>th</sup>, 12-4 Anchor Recovery. H&I has put a motion in for \$100 to cover cost. Free Spirit Area will be joining Providence Area and will be splitting cost.

ILS/Brenda B.

Literature: Freddy T./508-212-2832/[freddyfx@rocketmail.com](mailto:freddyfx@rocketmail.com)

LITERATURE SALES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2013

H&I: \$27.52

RENT \$8.75

GROUP SALES TOTAL: \$889.70

TOTAL SALES: \$ 925.97  
LITERATURE RESTOCK: \$682.73  
GPANA MEETING LIST RESTOCK: \$ 15.30  
TOTAL COSTS OF LITERATURE RESTOCK: \$698.03  
ILS/Freddy T.

Phone Line: *Open—see information at the end of minutes for qualifications.*

Policy: Lewis S./401-952-8109/[lminor02@yahoo.com](mailto:lminor02@yahoo.com)  
No report given.

Public Information: *Open—see information at the end of minutes for qualifications.*

H&I Corrections Facilities: Johnny Wheels/401-714-9765/[john.fallon1@verizon.net](mailto:john.fallon1@verizon.net)  
No report given.

**Old Business:**

Open Subcommittee positions: Finance, Phone line, Public Information, Convention Alternate Secretary

Motion 2-24-2013-1 Maker: Opt for Life Group/Steve S. – Chair appoints Ad Hoc subcommittee to be headed by Steve S. to gather further information.

The Greater Providence Area form a Metro Committee to provide administration for shared services (phoneline, meeting list, website) with Free Spirit Area.

Intent: To avoid confusion, duplication, and mis-communication in the sharing of services to streamline, improve and economize services where-ever possible.

Information: See last month's minutes.

Motion 2-24-2013-3 Maker: Sunday Serenity – Passed 9-3-0

To change clean time requirement for Policy Chair from 1 year to 2 years.

Intent: Policy chair requires more than 1 year clean time.

**New Business:**

Motion 3-24-2013-1 Maker: Peter S. Second Rob S. – Passed 20-1-5

To make a donation to World & Region of \$1000 each.

Intent: To keep money flow and to reduce the operation balance.

Motion 3-24-2013-2 Maker: Steve W. Recovery is More Than Abstinence Second Joe D. – Chair passes to H&I Subcommittee

To send the following motion to the Area Service Committee of the Greater Providence Area of Narcotics Anonymous.

We (Recovery is More than Abstinence) move that the following question be sent back to groups:

Should H&I be restructured so that groups no longer take commitments, having all commitments being filled instead directly by H&I panel leaders?

Intent:

The current system is unnecessarily complicated, is out of step with the dominant practice in NA as a whole, is inefficient, and violates the spirit of the 12 Concepts of NA service.

1. The Current system requires coordination between an H&I Panel Leader and a Group H&I representative who both theoretically are responsible for fulfilling the commitment.
2. The dominant practice of NA as a whole is for H&I to be a function of the area, as it is the local representative of the fellowship. Individual groups support but normally do not coordinate these efforts and this seems to work well in other areas.
3. The current system is inefficient. If, for example, there are twenty people who are willing and able to lead commitments at any time, then our current System allows those twenty people to fill 10 commitments, as two qualified representatives must be present under the current System. If all of those people took panel leader positions, it would double the number of commitments that could be covered at any time.
4. The current system violates the 12 concepts of NA service which state (concept 5) "For each responsibility assigned to the service structure, a single point of decision making and accountability should be clearly defined." The current system divides the responsibility for fulfilling commitments between the groups and the ASC, which is unnecessarily complicated and confusing, establishing two competing points of decision making and accountability.

Procedural Intent:

Why are we asking for this motion to go to groups, shouldn't it go to the policy sub-committee or the H&I sub-committee?

No, the service structure of NA is an inverted pyramid, meaning that groups have the right and the obligation to oversee the workings of area. Furthermore, all of the sub-committees of the ASC(or any democratic body) serve the ASC but do not govern it. We as a group are asking for an issue to be addressed directly by the groups as a whole to improve the functioning of our Area.

Is this motion out of order?

No, a motion can only be declared out of order for a limited number of reasons: if it violates a federal, state, or local law; if it violates the bylaws of the group or if it violates the rules of order (for example a motion cannot be introduced twice in the same session.) This motion does not violate any of these provisions and cannot be ruled out of order.

Motion 3-24-2013-3 Maker: H&I Second Body – Passed 25-0-0

Literature for H&I commitment in the sum of \$38.43.

Intent: To carry our message.

Motion 3-24-2013-4 Maker: Gail L. Second Peter S. – Back to groups/policy change.

To remove from written Responsibilities of Area Security paragraph O.-Care and maintain the laptop provided for the Area Secretary position.

Intent: The Area no longer provides a laptop to the area secretary therefore it should be removed from the responsibility.

Motion 3-24-2013-5 Maker: H&I – Passed 24-0-1

To recover \$100 to host the H&I Learning Day.

Intent: To further carry our message and educate panel leaders in our Area.

Motion 3-24-2013-6 Maker: Opt for Life Steve S. – Passed 17-0-5 Steve S. appointed by Chair to head Metro Committee Ad Hoc

That the GPA form an Ad Hoc Committee to explore the opportunity of establishing a Metro Committee in RI to oversee the phonenumber, meeting lists and website.

Intent: To formally begin the process of fact finding and documenting all of the options towards establishing a RI metro committee.

# Greater Providence Area Treasurer's Report

Feb-13

Description	Income	Expenses	Balance	Check #
<b>Beginning Operating Balance</b>		(Less Prudent Reserves)	<b>\$3,839.79</b>	
<b>Income</b>	Group Donations	\$629.15		
	Free Spirit Reimbursement	\$0.00		
	Convention Committee	\$0.00		
	Regional Hosting Committee	\$500.00		
<b>Total Income</b>		.	<b>\$629.15</b>	
<b>Non-Discretionary Expenses</b>	Rent Expense		\$25.00	2371
	Phone Services		\$0.00	
	H&I		\$0.00	2378
	Regional Phoneline		\$44.44	2377
	Secretary		\$0.00	
	Administration		\$0.00	
	RCM Expenses		\$0.00	
	Literature Expense		\$0.00	
	Tres. Expense		\$62.00	2373
	Regional Hosting Committee	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Total Fixed Expenses			\$141.34	
<b>Discretionary Expenses</b>	H&I Subcommittee		\$27.53	
	Phoneline Subcommittee		\$0.00	
	PI Subcommittee		\$0.00	
	Activities Subcommittee		\$0.00	2342
	Literature Subcommittee		\$0.00	
	Policy Subcommittee		\$0.00	2341
	Professional Expenses		\$0.00	
	Regional Donation		\$0.00	
	WSO Donation		\$0.00	
	Convention Committee		\$0.00	
Total Discretionary Expenses			\$27.53	
<b>Total Expenses</b>			<b>\$168.87</b>	
<b>Operating Balance</b>			<b>\$4,300.07</b>	
<b>Plus Prudent Reserves</b>				
Area Prudent Reserve			\$1,700.00	
Insurance Reserve Balance			\$1,284.00	
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<b>Total Prudent Reserve</b>			<b>\$2,984.00</b>	
<b>Ending Account Balance</b>			<b>\$7,284.07</b>	

	Income	Expenses	Balance	Check #
<b>*Literature Stock Value</b>				
Beginning Balance			\$ 1,575.62	
<b>Sales</b>	Feb	\$889.70		
<b>Restock</b>	World Service	\$1,472.60		2375
	Meeting Lists	\$77.40		2372
<b>Dec Donation</b>	for Corrections	\$200.00	\$155.00	
Ending Balance			<u>\$915.32</u>	

### Group Donations - Feb 2013

**Meeting Street**  
**Never Alone Again**  
**Gimme Shelter**  
**Start Your Night Right**  
**Loveline**  
**Surrender or Die**  
**ANON**

**Sunday Serenity/Insanity**  
**Recovery in the Lake**  
**Step Sisters**  
**Breakfast Club**  
**Smith Hill NA**  
**Change or Die**

**Recovery at the Chapel**  
**Basic Step Study**  
**NA in the Day**  
**Set Em Free**  
**Lie is Dead**  
**Road to Recovery**



## Addendum 1:

### Greater Providence Area Service Committee

#### Administrative Positions: Qualifications & Responsibilities

Greater Providence Area Service Committee (GPASC)  
Administrative Positions:

Qualifications of General Service: The following is a suggested list of qualifications for N.A. members who might wish to become involved in the area service structure of the Greater Providence Area.

- A. Willingness and a desire to serve.
- B. A level of recovery that reflects their ability to apply the twelve steps to their personal lives and the twelve traditions to their personal interactions with other.
- C. The ability to give the time and resources necessary to fulfill the obligations of the elected office.
- D. The suggested clean time requirement as established for the individual office.

Chairperson Four (4) years

Vice Chairperson Three (3) years

Secretary One (1) year

Alternate Secretary Six (6) months

Treasurer Three (3) years

Alternate Treasurer Two (2) years

RCM Three (3) years

Alternate RCM Two (2) years

BOD Five (5) years

- E. Prior service experience on a group level and working knowledge of the elected office.

Suggested Qualifications of the GROUP SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (GSR):

- A. The stated qualifications of general service apply to this position.
- B. One (1) year continuous abstinence from all drugs.
- C. Prior service experience serving as an Alternate GSR.
- D. Active participation in the group they are representing.
- E. Knowledge of the GPANA service structure.

Suggested Responsibilities of the GROUP SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (GSR):

- A. Attend each meeting of the GPASC.
- B. If unable to attend the ASC meeting, asks the Alternate GSR, or in the Alternate's absence, another group member to assume the GSR responsibilities.
- C. Suggested participation with and Area subcommittee to promote the GSR involvement with GPA.
- D. In keeping with the Seventh Tradition, and Second Concept of N.A., bring group donation to the ASC Treasurer.
- E. Carry Group Conscience on all matters affecting their group or N.A. as a whole.
- F. Inform the GPA of all Group activities, strengths, and problems.
- G. Inform the Group of all business, activities, and special needs discussed at ASC meetings.

#### Subcommittee Officers: Qualifications & Responsibilities

Greater Providence Area Service Committee (GPASC)  
Subcommittees:

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- D. The suggested clean time requirement as established for the individual office.
- E. Prior service experience on a group level and working knowledge of the elected office.
- F. Out-going chair will work with in-coming chair for one month. To ensure a smooth transition.

Qualifications for GPASC Subcommittee Officers:

- A. The stated Qualifications of General Service apply to these positions.
- B. Clean time requirements for subcommittee officers:  
Activities, H&I, Literature, Phone Line, Policy, PI:
  - Chairperson Two (2) years
  - Finance: Chairperson Five (5) years Convention:
    - Chairperson Five (5) years
    - Vice Chairperson Four (4) years
    - Treasurer Five (5) years
    - Secretary Two (2) years

Responsibilities of the FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE:

- A. Review all financial statements—past, present, and future—to help guide the Area to financial responsibility.
- B. Assist the Area Treasurer in compiling quarterly balance sheets, profit and loss statements.
- C. In keeping with the Seventh Tradition of N.A., works with the Area Treasurer to formulate an Area budget, with expenses not to exceed the income generated by the Area.
- D. Oversee all expenses and research alternatives in order to curtail unnecessary expenses.
- E. Fulfill all other responsibilities that the GPASC deems necessary.
- F. Meet one hour prior to the GPASC meeting and as often as the Finance Subcommittee deems necessary.
- G. Attend the GPASC meeting, provide a verbal subcommittee report to the service body and a written report for inclusion in the Area minutes.

**Responsibilities of the PHONE LINE SUBCOMMITTEE:**

- A. Maintain lines of communication between N.A. and the answering, and/or any other phone service used by the GPA.
- B. Respond to all requests for information in a timely and effective manner.
- C. Insure that those requests are handled at the appropriate level of service.
- D. Maintain helpline and Twelve Step call list.
- E. Establish and maintain the integrity of guidelines for handling phone line requests.
- F. Meet one hour prior to the GPASC meeting and as often as the Phone Line Subcommittee deems necessary.
- G. Attend the GPASC meeting, provide a verbal subcommittee report to the service body and a written report for inclusion in the Area minutes.

**Responsibilities of the PUBLIC INFORMATION (PI) SUBCOMMITTEE:**

- A. Uphold the integrity of the Eleventh Tradition of N.A.
- B. Maintain: Distribution and sales of meeting lists to rehabilitation centers as well as the general public. Review, update, and oversee the publishing of the Area meeting list as often as the Area deems necessary.
- C. Arrange all public information speaker commitments.
- D. Conduct a minimum of one public information workshop per year.
- E. Meet one hour prior to the GPASC meeting an as often as the subcommittee deems necessary to fulfill its responsibilities.
- F. Elect a Web Coordinator responsible to the PI Subcommittee.
- G. Attend GPASC meeting, provide a verbal subcommittee report to the service body and a written report for inclusion in the Area minutes.

All Greater Providence Area Convention Executive Committee positions will be nominated and elected at the GPASC meeting. This is to take place in July prior to the beginning of the Convention cycle.

**Qualifications of General Service for Convention**

**Subcommittee Officers:**

A. Clean time requirements for Convention Subcommittee Officers:

Chairperson Five (5) years

Vice Chairperson Four (4) years

Treasurer Five (5) years

Secretary Two (2) years

Subcommittee Chairs Two (2) years

B. Working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of N.A.

C. Willingness to give the time and resources necessary.

D. Ability to exercise patience and tolerance.

E. Active participation in Narcotics Anonymous.

**Qualifications of the GPA Convention Subcommittee**

**SECRETARY:**

A. Two (2) years continuous clean time.

B. Accurate typing ability.

C. Demonstrated responsibility that indicates ability to ensure that accurate minutes are distributed to the Convention Committee Members.

**Responsibilities of the GPA Convention Subcommittee**

**SECRETARY:**

A. Keeps minutes of each Convention Committee meeting and all subcommittee reports.

B. Mails minutes to committee members after approval by the Executive Committee Chairperson. Minutes are mailed out within ten days after the Convention Committee meeting. An agenda for the next meeting may be attached to the minutes if it will help the committee function.

C. Maintains a list of names, addresses, and phone numbers of committee members for committee use.

D. Keeps extra sets of minutes, updated after each committee meeting, for members who request a complete set.

E. Communicates to the local NA membership regarding the progress and planning of the convention. Assists all committees in mailing and correspondence.

F. Mails a copy of the minutes to the Greater Providence Area Service Committee

**Addendum 2:**

NA Survey (2/7/13)

Please put in an answer for EVERY question. Also after you finish each page, count the number of your answers, write that number in: It should match the correct number.

PLEASE ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS IN THE SPACES PROVIDED

- At what age did you go to your first Twelve-Step meeting? ( ) ( )
- How old are you? ( ) ( )
- Are you (1) Male or (2) Female? ( )
- How many NA members have you sponsored? (If none, write zero) ( ) ( )
- What do you regard as your biggest drug problem? Choose one of these only
  - (1) Alcohol (5) Stimulants/Medicines (like Ritalin) ( )
  - (2) Marijuana (6) Heroin
  - (3) Cocaine or Power (7) Other Opiates (like Percocet or Oxycontin)
  - (4) Crack Cocaine (8) Crystal Meth
- How many months has it been since you last used alcohol or drugs?
  - (If less than 1 month, write zero) ( ) ( ) ( )
- Are you employed or a student: (1) full-time (2) part-time (3) not at all ( )
- Which of the following best described where you are living now: ( )
  - (1) My own home (2) Someone else's home (3) No home (or homeless)

FOR THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, PLEASE WRITE IN

(1) FOR YES: OR (2) FOR NO.

- Have you ever had an NA sponsor? ( )
- Have you had a spiritual awakening as part of your Twelve-Step experience? ( )
- In the past 12 months, have you done service, such as helped newcomers, set up chairs, made coffee, or cleaned up after a meeting, etc. ( )
- Did you ever have outpatient treatment for a problem with use of alcohol/other drugs of abuse? ( )
- Were you ever hospitalized for use of alcohol/other drugs of abuse? ( )
- When you first attended NA, were you referred to NA by a healthcare professional? ( )
- Did you ever have treatment for a general psychological problem (not specifically substance abuse)? ( )
- Did you ever inject drugs intravenously? ( )
- Have you ever been arrested? ( )

How many answers did you fill in? \_\_\_\_\_

The correct number is seventeen.

FOR THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, WRITE A NUMBER IN THE SPACE ON THE RIGHT FOR THE BEST ANSWER FOR YOU.

- I feel God's presence. ( )
  - (1) Many times a day (4) Some days
  - (2) Every day (5) Once in a while
  - (3) Most days (6) Never or almost never
- How often do you attend church or worship services? ( )
  - (1) Every day (5) A few times a year
  - (2) Several times a week (6) Seldom
  - (3) Once a week (7) Never
  - (4) Once or twice a month
- How many NA meetings would you estimate that you've been to in the last 12 months? ( ) ( ) ( )

CONSIDER TEN NA MEMBERS WHOM YOU SEE THE MOST OR KNOW THE BEST. SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CHOICES WHICH BEST APPLIES TO EACH GROUP OF PERSONS:

**Answer Choices:**

- 1) Not at all
- 2) Just a little
- 3) A fair amount
- 4) A lot
- 5) Very much

How much do these descriptions apply to each group?

- They care for me ( )
- They are happy ( )
- They are suspicious of me ( )

How would you describe your feelings for them?

- I care for them ( )
- They make me happy ( )
- I am suspicious of them ( )
- Do they have the positive qualities you feel an NA member should have? ( )
- Do you like being a part of their activities? ( )

How many answers did you fill in? \_\_\_\_\_

The correct number is eleven.

Below is a list of problems and complaints that people sometimes have. Please read each one carefully. After you have done so, write in the number of the choice that best describes HOW MUCH DISCOMFORT THAT PROBLEM HAS CAUSED YOU DURING THE PAST WEEK INCLUDING TODAY.

(0) Not at all (3) Quite a bit

(1) A little bit (4) Extremely

(2) Moderately

- Nervousness or shakiness inside ( )
- Feelings of worthlessness ( )
- Thoughts of ending your life ( )
- Suddenly scared for no reason ( )
- Feeling lonely ( )
- Feeling blue ( )
- Feeling no interest in things ( )
- Feeling fearful ( )
- Feeling hopeless about die future ( )
- Feeling tense or keyed up ( )
- Spells of terror or panic ( )
- Feeling so restless you couldn't sit still ( )

• Enter the number below from zero to 10 which best corresponds to how much you craved drugs or alcohol during the past week

0    1    2    3    4    5    6    7    8    9    10

Not at all Extremely ( ) ( )

WERE YOU ASSOCIATED WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING BRANCHES OF THE ARMEDFORCES?

- (1) Air Force (4) Marine Corps ( )
- (2) Army (5) Navy
- (3) Coast Guard (6) Other Specify
- (7) None

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IF YOU WERE IN ANY OF THE LISTED SERVICES, PLEASE PROCEED TO THE END

How many answers did you fill in? \_\_\_\_\_

The correct number is fourteen.

FOR MEMBERS WHO WERE IN THE SERVICE

What was the date you started active duty? (Never=0)    MONTH     YEAR

• Are you currently an full-time active duty? (1) Yes (2) No ( )

• What was date you were released from active duty? (Still Active=0)

MONTH     YEAR

• Did you ever receive a Medical Discharge? (1) Yes (2) No ( )

• Did you ever serve in a combat or war zone? (1) Yes (2) No ( )

• If Yes, did you ever receive a combat injury? (1) Yes (2) No ( )

• In general, would you say your health is: ( )

(1) Excellent (3) Good

(2) Very good (4) Fair

(5) Poor

• Have you ever been a member of the Reserve or National Guard? (1) Yes (2) No ( )

• Has the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) or the Department of Defense determined that you have a service-connected disability; that is, a health condition or impairment caused or made worse by military service? (1) Yes (2) No ( )

• Altogether, how long did you serve on active duty in the Armed Forces?

Write (0) for less than a year, or write in the number of years ( ) ( )

• Have you ever had a sponsor who was a vet? (1) Yes (2) No ( )

PLEASE USE THE SCALE BELOW TO RATE EACH OF THE ITEMS BELOW:

At some time since entering the service, did you have any of these recurrently happen to you related to your time in the service?

(1) Not at all; (2) A little bit; (3) Moderately (4) Quite a bit; (5) Extremely

In this column, please give a score for each problem

In this second column, give a score for how much NA helped you with the problem

• Distressing thoughts or images ( ) ( )

• Distressing dreams ( ) ( )

• Acting or feeling as if a trauma was happening again ( ) ( )

• Shame about your service time ( ) ( )

• Mistreatment by civilians ( ) ( )

• Mistreatment by the VA ( ) ( )

in this second column, give a score for how much NA helped you with that Problem

How many answers did you fill in? \_\_\_\_\_

The correct number is twenty-three.

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## AREA INVENTORY

An area may want to send this inventory or a similar set of questions to the groups. Members or groups can answer each question with a number from one to five, using a scale such as:

①	②	③	④	⑤
Not at all	Needs improvement	Adequate	Outstanding	Excellent

When the numbers are totaled for each question, the area can see what most needs improvement (1) and what is going quite well already (5).

### How well has the area served local groups this year?

- How well does the area communicate with local groups? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well does the area respond to the needs of local groups? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well is the area managing its donations and area treasury? \_\_\_\_\_
- How effectively does the area demonstrate responsibility and accountability? \_\_\_\_\_
- How fully does the area train and support members who serve on the area service committee? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well does the area service committee foster an atmosphere of courtesy and mutual respect? \_\_\_\_\_
- How completely does the area provide opportunities for communication about committee concerns to the local members and groups? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well is a sense of unity fostered within the area service body? \_\_\_\_\_
- How positively is a sense of unity shown within local groups? \_\_\_\_\_
- What is the area's experience with trusted servants? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well has the area fostered the willingness of the local fellowship to volunteer for service positions? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well does the area practice continuity and rotation? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well does the area function in maintaining a full complement of trusted servants, with no open commitments? \_\_\_\_\_
- How fully does the area create an environment where the conscience of the body guides the decisions and direction of the area? \_\_\_\_\_

### How well has the area done this year in making NA's message more widely known in the larger community?

- How well is the area communicating with those in the community who interact with addicts? \_\_\_\_\_

- How completely does the area respond to the needs of the larger community? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How well is the area using human and financial resources to carry NA's message of recovery in an efficient and effective way? \_\_\_\_\_
- How fully trained and supported are the trusted servants who interact with members of the community? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well has the area built cooperative relationships with those in the larger community? \_\_\_\_\_
- How easily can those in the larger community reach an NA member who is in a position to respond to their questions or requests? \_\_\_\_\_

**How well has the area cooperated and collaborated with the region and NA World Services this year?**

- How effectively does the area communicate with the region and with NA World Services? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well does the area respond to requests from the region and from NA World Services? How fully does the area share its needs and concerns with the region and NA World Services? \_\_\_\_\_
- How reliably does the area forward funds to the region and/or NA World Services?\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How effectively does the area use resources (such as written materials or experience from other trusted servants) that are available through the region and/or NA World Services? \_\_\_\_\_
- How fully has the area formed a cooperative relationship with the region and NA World Services? \_\_\_\_\_
- How well is the area creating a sense of unity with the region and NA World Services?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is there any particular area of service and/or area function that you perceive is outstanding?  
Please identify: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is there any particular area of service and/or area function that you perceive would need improvement? Please identify: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_