



**This is the fourth of
seven PowerPoints
covering material
in the 2023
Conference Agenda
Report**

- *CAR* Survey

Conference Agenda Report
**CREATING
OUR FUTURE**
WSC 2023: 30 April-6 May

2023 CAR PowerPoints

1. Introduction to *CAR: Creating Our Future, Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust* (Motions 1–3)
2. Virtual meetings (Motion 4), Vision for NA Service (Motion 5), Basic Text (Motion 6), WB terms (Motion 7), WCNA (Motion 8)
3. Future of the WSC (Motions 9–12)
- 4. *CAR* Survey**
5. Regional Motions 13–18
6. Regional Motions 19–25
7. Human Resource Panel Report

2023 CAR PowerPoints

These PowerPoints only cover the main points of the *CAR*.

We encourage all members to read the *CAR* itself.

Please visit www.na.org/conference for the complete 2023 *CAR*.



CAR Survey

Opening essay of the *CAR* provides some background about the resource challenges the pandemic created for NAWS and the role of *CAR* survey in trying to unite two streams of ideas for projects.

Please see the *CAR* introduction, particularly pages 4 through 6, for more detail.

What is in the survey?

- Four items in the survey come from regional motions the WSC has already approved
- Most of the remaining ideas are carryovers from previous surveys
- Also included are ideas from regional and zonal motions in this CAR
- And ideas found through the planning process.



Survey Availability



Everyone has until 1 April to fill out the survey online at: www.na.org/survey

RECOVERY LITERATURE

- Unless otherwise directed at the WSC, work will continue on *The Loner* IP revisions
- “DRT/MAT as it relates to NA—what do we want to say in a piece of NA literature?” was an IDT last cycle
- This section of the survey will help the WSC decide on future literature projects



NEW LITERATURE TO SUPPORT STEPWORK

- Booklet of Step study questions taken from Chapter Four, “How It Works,” in the Basic Text
- Step working booklet focused mainly on Steps 1–3, aimed primarily at new members and those in treatment and drug courts
- Step working guide aimed at members not new to working the Steps

CREATE A NEW IP OR BOOKLET

- [DRT/MAT as it relates to NA* \(2018\)](#)
- [On using social media in NA* \(2018\)](#)
- Members’ experience, strength, and hope on trustworthiness and trusting the process
- IP for a daily personal gratitude inventory
- Personal stories about relationships and families in recovery
- An IP for newcomers containing the NA suggestions
- An IP focused on meditation
- Dealing with trauma/PTSD in recovery
- Spirituality in service: Atmosphere of recovery and spiritual benefits of service
- Dealing with grief in recovery
- Spirituality in NA: What does it mean that NA is a spiritual, not religious program? Including a list of spiritual principles with definitions

- No new recovery lit
- Other

TARGETED LITERATURE

- [Literature for women in recovery* \(2020\)](#)
- Literature for atheists and agnostics
- Literature for younger members
- Literature for older members
- Literature for experienced members/“oldtimers”
- Literature for LGBTQ+ members
- Literature for First Nations/indigenous members
- Literature for members who are veterans

**Pause for
discussion**

REVISE AN EXISTING PIECE OF NA LITERATURE

- Add “gender” to “What is the NA Program?” to read: “Anyone may join us regardless of age, race, gender, sexual identity, creed, religion or lack of religion.”
- Review currently approved recovery literature to gender neutralize NA literature, where possible
- Revise and simplify the *Step Working Guides*
- Revise the *Sponsorship* book
- Revise *Recovery and Relapse*
- Revise *Accessibility for Those with Additional Needs*
- Revise *Am I an Addict?*
- Revise *H&I Service and the NA Member*
- Revise *PI and the NA Member*
- Revise *The Concepts* booklet
- No revisions to recovery literature
- Other

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SERVICE MATERIAL

- This section will help focus a Service Tools project for this cycle
- May also help set future work/project plans
- In recent years, the focus has moved to “basics” that are easier to translate



PUBLIC RELATIONS

- [PR video explaining what NA is, how it works, and how to contact us*](#) (2020)
- Our public image: creating confidence in NA
- More social media guidelines above and beyond the service pamphlet
- More short, focused PR resources such as tools to assist in reaching the medical community, criminal justice, and those who refer people to NA
- Sponsorship behind the Walls basics
- Internal PR basics
- Cooperation, not affiliation—our relationship to others, including AA

[NA SERVICES 101 follows PUBLIC RELATIONS in actual form]

LEGAL, FINANCIAL, AND SEVENTH TRADITION TOOLS

- Self-support in NA (what it means, how we handle funds, banking, digital fund flow, fundraising, misappropriation, etc.)
- Information for creating legal entities/incorporating
- How do we protect the NA message and carry the message? (understanding the FIPT and the issues around illicit literature, local websites, virtual meetings, etc.)
- Area treasurers' and budgeting basics

NA SERVICES 101

- Virtual service basics (including virtual service meetings, virtual meetings and areas participating in the service system, virtual workshops and trainings, etc.)
- The impact of technology on services and workloads
- Best practices for service workshops
- Carrying the NA message effectively
- Personal application of Concepts and Traditions, as a member and trusted servant
- Facilitation basics
- What is NA World Services and how does it work?
- Fellowship development basics
- Collaborating among service bodies
- When service bodies split or reunify
- Description of service commitments at areas and regions
- Effective report writing
- Tools for leadership and mentorship, including as they relate to service bodies and new meetings
- Group support forum, local service conference and local service board basics
- Policy in NA—different kinds of policy styles and approaches

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REVISE EXISTING SERVICE MATERIAL

- Update *A Guide to Local Services in NA (GLS)*
- Revise *Translation Basics*
- Revise and update *Planning Basics*
- Revise and update *PR Basics*
- Revise and update *H&I Basics*
- Revise and update the service pamphlet *Disruptive and Violent Behavior* to reflect current practices in the Fellowship, and include the issue of sexual predators
- Revise and update the service pamphlet *Group Business Meetings*, with a section on using a CBDM process, and the concept of delegation
- Other

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ISSUE DISCUSSION TOPICS

- **Issues discussed between Conferences**
- **Results of the discussions create the foundations for service tools and literature projects**



IDTS FOR THE NEXT CYCLE

- Gender-neutral and inclusive language in NA literature
- Reimagining and revitalizing service committees (to further the reach of the NA message, improve communication, provide mentorship and training, and make service more attractive and accessible, learning from our experience the past few years)
- Dealing with disruptive and predatory behavior
- Self-support in NA: Seventh Tradition and Eleventh Concept
- The *Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust (FIPT)*
- Our Symbol—a closer look
- The importance of our Traditions to NA
- Group conscience and consensus-based decision making
- PR basics—what they are and why they are important
- Spiritual principles and service
- Social media and PR issues
- Making NA accessible for those with additional needs
- Building our unity while respecting our differences
- Retaining members in NA
- Illness/medication and our literature
- Other

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**REMINDER:
1 APRIL
2023**

As a reminder, the survey is
available until this date

www.na.org/survey

- Six other PowerPoints available online
- *CAR* survey also available online
- *CAR* available for download

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