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DELEGATES SHARING WITH DELEGATES

Conference participants gather in the Delegates Sharing Session at the World Service Conference to get to know more about each other, our regions and zones, and issues important to us. It's a time and place to exchange experiences and ideas and to build unity as we begin the Conference week.

This session was created by a 2014 WSC proposal, was first held at WSC 2016, and has become an ongoing part of the WSC. The session is developed by an international workgroup of Conference participants.



NA service is never a solo effort. Even when we are physically alone we are not spiritually isolated. We are connected to something larger, and our fellow addicts are often willing to help us if we are willing to ask.

Guiding Principles: The Spirit of Our Traditions,

Tradition One

INVEST IN OUR VISION

During this time of the cycle our RD teams get together with other trusted servants and members throughout our NA communities to discuss the *Conference Agenda Report* (*CAR*) and Conference Approval Track (CAT) materials. We seek informed and spiritually based group conscience on issues that affect our home groups and the worldwide NA Fellowship.

This is also a time for some of our greatest personal service challenges and successes. We encounter personal growth and change, fostered by spiritual principles like belonging, trust, and humility:

- 66 I've experienced a sense of belonging...my region believes I'm capable of representing them.
- 6 6 Although my experience can get the job done, if those I serve don't trust me, my service can create controversy or deter others from wanting to serve.
- 66 Representing my region was a great honor, and an amazing learning experience for me. ??

Our families and those who support us "lend us" to NA service. Before and during the WSC, we are called to spend time on the road, away from family, friends, jobs, and hobbies. We serve with gratitude, guided by a Higher Power, to collaborate with others in support of our primary purpose, and to invest in our vision.

- Some of our service bodies' information is in our regional and zonal reports (due) 15 Feb), but it can be helpful to arrive at the WSC ready to share highlights about how we carry the message and provide service in our NA communities. The challenges and solutions we experience can help other NA communities navigate their own issues.
- Understanding CAR and CAT materials is key to gathering an informed conscience, so consider ways to help members make thoughtful and informed decisions. Along with printed materials, workshops, and one-on-one discussions, consider providing online and digital resources, virtual meetings, and audio/visual materials like the PowerPoints and videos at www.na.org/conference.
 - The official WSC language is English, so if you don't speak English or if English isn't your first language, it can take extra time to translate and understand the materials. Experienced members, World Board members, and NA World Services can help by answering questions about CAR and CAT content.

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- Make time to organize your schedule and submit your WSC registration (due 1 March) and flight arrangements, which are due 15 March. (Don't forget the pre-WSC Unity Day on Saturday, 25 April.)
- Mark your calendar for the virtual WSC orientation on 28 March at 11:00 am PDT.
- Check on what documents you'll need to travel to and from California. Ask others who have attended the WSC or contact Elaine and Allie at NA World Services (elaine@na.org).

...and don't forget

We are away for several days without our usual routines and comforts of home, so think about logistics and ways to care for personal needs and preferences while at the WSC (and ask fellow delegates or the local hospitality folks when you arrive).

- Which local WiFi, mobile phone, and retail electronics services are available in
- What do other delegates pack or purchase on-site that helps them get through
- Which local restaurants and markets can accommodate specific diets or food
- What walking/running routes and fitness facilities are in the area?
- Are there medical issues that need to be coordinated before travel?



Pre-WSC Unity Day

"The weeting before the weeting"

On Saturday, 25 April (the day before the WSC officially begins), we'll gather during the day and into the night with local members for:

- · Open house and lunch at the World Service Office
- · Workshops—Invest in Our Vision: Fun and Games!
- · Optional WSC orientation session (for Conference participants)
- · International recovery speaker meeting
- · World Market featuring worldwide NA products and memorabilia
- · Night-time event hosted by the West End Area Service Committee

So, plan ahead to share some food, fun, and fellowship with other Conference participants and lots of local Southern California NA members!