

THE INTER-COM

AREA 79 PI & CPC Quarterly Newsletter for April 2018

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Your submissions!

RSVP? Should AA attend?

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What is The Inter-Com?

Inter-Com is our newsletter, by us for us. The newsletter is for the exclusive use of A.A. members who wish to exchange information about Public Information (PI) and Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) work within Area 79. The Inter-Com is a Quarterly publication - Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall.

It is a fantastic opportunity for Districts, specifically PI and CPC Committees to share experience, strength and hope - new ways to reach the public and cooperate with the professional community - how and what you're doing in your district.

Contact and participant follow up is important
Here is a sample

Dear Pam S....., Nursing Educator,

I am writing to thank you for the opportunity you gave Sara, Ranjit and myself yesterday to present to you, your nursing staff and doctors on how Alcoholics Anonymous is available to work with you at the Abbotsford Regional Hospital to help the still suffering alcoholic. Everyone seemed to enjoy the presentation, our shares about our personal experiences, the video, pamphlets and the copies of the Newsletter for the Medical Professional which was supplied to us by our CPC Coordinator Jeff W from our General Service Office in New York.


I will also let our Public Information Committee know how much it is appreciated that they have and will continue to stock pamphlets for the staff and clients at the different departments in the hospital.


We look forward to seeing you all again later this year at our annual CPC/PI Luncheon. We will make ourselves available to do a follow up presentation and if there is anything else we are able to do please let us know.

Again thank you

Jim R
CPC Chair
Abbotsford

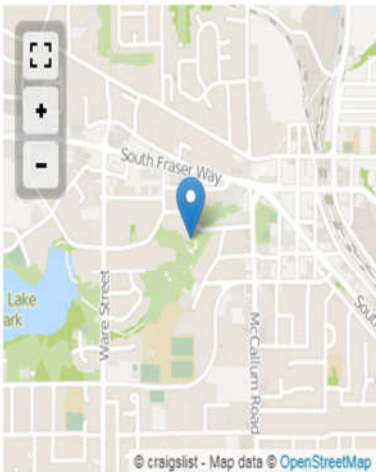
Sample Poster for local, free, Internet advertisement sites





Do you or someone you know have a problem with Alcohol. We can help. Call Alcoholics Anonymous Abbotsford at [show contact info](#)
www.abbotsfordaa.org

- do NOT contact me with unsolicited services or offers



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RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO US ALL...

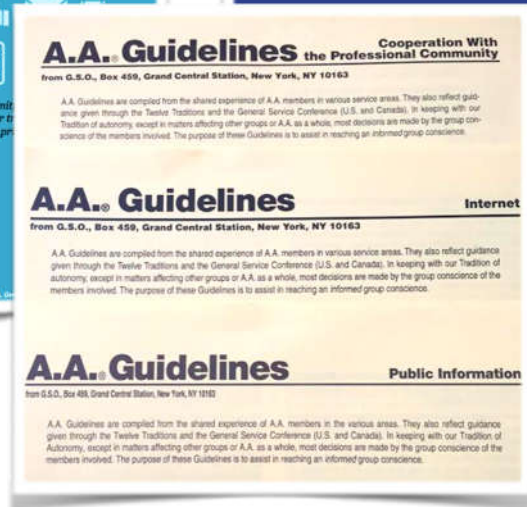
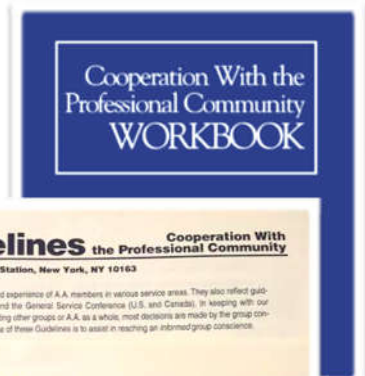
Sample Newspaper Announcements

Some committees place small, paid announcements in local newspapers. In case you need to buy here are some suggested announcements:

If you want to drink, that's your business
 If you want to stop, that's ours.
 Call Alcoholics Anonymous (address and telephone)

If you want to drink, that's your business
 If you want to stop, we can help.
 Call Alcoholics Anonymous (telephone)

Have you sometimes wished you could spend holiday sober?
 Call Alcoholics Anonymous (telephone)



There are so many resources available to all of us. Committees can review this Workbooks and Guidelines together at their committee meetings or any member and study them for their own information.



District 18 News

Hello Area 79

Once of the best things District 18 was able to do in 2017 as a committee was, one month we were discussing how to inspire more involvement in both our committee and our community, and we decided to have a Night Celebrating Service. We asked Don L, from Bellingham, WA to come speak and share his experience and he said yes! The evening ended up with about 50 people and the best part was our committee came away from it feeling rejuvenated and excited about participating in PI and CPC work. It really hit home as to the gravity of how important it is to “plant the seed” and how much service and being involved in PI has benefited each of our own sobriety.

In love and service,
Léa S.
District 18 CPC/PI Chair

Your PI/CPC Committee News,
Events, and Solutions are always
welcome.
We would love to hear from you.

AA Youtube Channel

Our PSA's have been on YouTube since September 2017 and I only have the stats provided in the Agenda Item which is as follows from Dec. 20, 2017 to Jan 16, 2018 (28 days) 529 mins of watch time; average duration 1:17min, 4 likes, 17 shares and 61 subscribers. I just checked it tonight and we currently have 527 subscribers, The PSA's have been viewed many times. "My World" 636 views; "Doors" 1099 views and "I Have Hope" 451 views. I absolute love that clearly at the bottom of the page is states "Comments are disabled for this video". Very cool too that the A.A. Video for Healthcare Professionals is also on YouTube and it has been there since Dec 21, 2017 and has 257 views. Here is the link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2nfvf9DeDA7QYvLeq4pQ-w> FYI you have to use Alcoholic Anonymous World Services to get the correct YouTube channel. Check it out!!

How To Make Submissions to the Inter-Com

We would love to hear from PI and CPC Committees with what is working, what is not working—looking for shared experience.
Sharing experience, strength and hope within our Area.

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3

1. Email your story, submission, and/or question to: publicinformation@bcyukonaa.org or cpc@bcyukonaa.org
2. Please identify yourself by first name and last initial only, in keeping with our tradition of anonymity.
3. Please identify your contribution to the Inter-Com with District number and a brief review of where your district is within BC/Yukon and please specify if your committee is PI, CPC, or PI/CPC.

Remember that this current edition as well as all archived editions are now on the Public Side of our Area 79 Website under the NEWS tab for your reading pleasure



Poster Info: In February 2018 Clay R., Public Information Coordinator, General Service Office sent the Anonymity Poster out to our Delegate Jade for distribution. Any group, PI Committee or member is welcome to utilize this poster. It's done in English, Spanish and French. I've distributed it to the groups in Quesnel and will be sending it out to all my PICDC's before the Pre-Conference where I will display a 18"X24" poster at my PI Table.

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Should AA attend?

Our PI/CPC committees we will often be invited to attend and set up tables or otherwise participate in various community events. We do not always have to accept an invitation and it is not always appropriate to do so. Because our attendance at these events means that we are there representing AA as a whole it is suggested that our Committees consider the AA Traditions (T), short and long form, before deciding whether or not to attend. Your Committee may find the following brief suggestions helpful:

- 1) Find out as much as possible about the organization and host of the event through talking with the organizers and doing community and internet research. What is the goal of the organization and their mission?
- 2) Would AA's attendance be in keeping with our primary purpose or affect AA as a whole? (T4)
- 3) Would AA's attendance indicate an affiliation, actual or implied, with an organization which has political or social change goals beyond our primary purpose? (T6)
- 4) Would AA's attendance imply an opinion on an outside controversial issue? (T10)
- 5) Would, or could, the anonymity of the AA members attending be protected? Would AA's attendance be seen as attraction or promotion? (T11)
- 6) What are our member's motivation for attending? Is it purely to carry AA's message? (T12)
- 7) After a discussion with your Committee and /or District and a full consideration of the Traditions, does the vote on a motion to attend pass with substantial unanimity and preserve the Unity (T1) of AA?

While it could be argued that by attending we might have the opportunity to carry the message (T5) at any event, it should be remembered that AA has 12 traditions to live by. The best events for AA to attend will be in keeping with all of our Traditions.

I hope this helps and your Area PI and CPC Chairs will be happy to discuss any invitations that your Committee receives.

Thank you for considering these suggestions.

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