



Off The Wall Area

Narcotics Anonymous



WELCOME NEW GROUPS SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES (GSR)

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- Welcome to the Off The Wall Area Service Committee. We are grateful you have decided to be of service to your home group by representing them at the Area level.
- The Off the Wall Area (OTWA) is currently made of groups in Loveland, Fort Collins, Greeley, Windsor and Estes Park. The Area Service Committee (ASC) is made of Group Service Representatives (GSR), Sub-committee Chairs, Administrative members, Regional Committee Members (RCM 1&2) and a Colorado Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous (CRCNA) liaison.
- This body is here to carry out service work on behalf of the groups that the groups could not undertake by themselves, as well as be a hub of communication between the sub-committees, other groups, the Colorado Region and World Services.

SERVICE BODIES and MEMBERS REPORTING TO THE ASC

- Hospitals and Institutions (H&I) – Coordinates and maintains efforts to carry the N.A. message into facilities where addicts reside at that do not have full access to outside meetings. Standard requirements are at least 3 months to sit at some of the panels, and 6 months to share. Some lock up facilities require more and may have different standards for permission to get in (ex – Weld County Jail wants at least 1 year off parole, probation, etc.) We currently have seven different panels at various facilities.
- Public Information (PI) – Helps inform the public that N.A. exists through cooperation, not affiliation. We do this through maintaining a phone line (970-282-8079) and web site (otwna.org). We also do flyer drives and have literature racks in various places.
- Activities – Is charged with holding Area sponsored events to help promote fellowship amongst the Off the Wall Area and NA in Colorado.
- Merchandise – Creates and distributes N.A. merchandise, often sporting Off the Wall area designs or logos. They sometimes have logo contests for the next design for shirts or hoodies.
- Literature – Literature is purchased from NAWS and is distributed at the Area Service Committee (ASC) to the groups and the H&I and PI sub-committees. There are manila for the Group Service Rep's (GSR) to put their literature order forms in. These go in a tray at the front of the literature table. It is helpful to get orders in early, while supplies last. There is an order form on our website that will do the math for you and a printable form if you need at <http://www.otwna.org/dox/LiteratureForm.pdf>. Forms are also available at the ASC.
- Colorado Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous (CRCNA) liaison – Communicates between our Area Service Committee (ASC) and the Convention committee. Whether it's our concerns, activities for the convention, listing potential speakers for the convention, approving the workshop topics or letting us know when the conventions various sub-committees meet, this is the person to speak with.
- Regional Committee Members (RCM) – We have two RCM's, elected in alternating years, each for 2 year terms. They are responsible for communication between the Area Service Committee (ASC) and the Colorado Region. They will also often inform us of other goings on in N.A. around the World, including the Conference Agenda Report (C.A.R.), which are motions handed down from the Narcotics Anonymous World Services (NAWS) every two years. They attend the Regional Committee Meetings every two months, Regional Assemblies held twice a year, and Zonal Forums whenever possible.

THINGS TO KNOW

- We meet the 1st Sunday monthly, except July.
- Reports can include, but are not limited to, the following: Date, time, location and format changes. Speakers and events that are coming up, please bring flyers!!! Concerns, needs or questions the groups may have and responses to anything the ASC has asked the GSR's to take back to the groups. Newly elected positions, area donation and literature order amount. Report forms can be found on the website under the GSR checklist. Reports should be handed into the secretary or can be emailed or both. Please get with the secretary for email information. If you are unable to attend the ASC when we meet, you can send a report with another trusted servant. We like hearing from you and knowing what is going on with your group.
- Things you should take back to your group can include, but are not limited to: Any upcoming activities, new meetings or meeting changes, open positions at the ASC or the sub-committee's that report to the ASC, any motions sent back to the groups, anything where feedback has been requested, interesting changes (ex- new website design).
- We also have the GSR checklist available on our website as an easy reference for information that's relevant to what groups may want to know – <http://www.otwna.org/gsrchecklist/>
- In addition to attending the monthly ASC, GSR's also typically attend two Regional Assemblies that are held in April and September rotating through different Colorado areas. Every two years there are motions sent from the world service structure to the groups presented in the Conference Agenda Report (C.A.R.) for the groups to vote on. GSR's are able to represent their group's conscience at an April Assembly, and need to be present to have their votes presented. Groups, areas and regions can also put forth motions to be included in the C.A.R. The Assembly that the C.A.R. is voted on is held in Denver, out of its normal rotation.
- GSR's or the groups themselves are responsible to make any meeting changes at the world level. Na.org has a form to update meetings for their website so others can get up to date information about your home groups meetings. Any new group should register at na.org.
- The Off the Wall Area is part of the Colorado Region (nacolorado.org) which is made up of other areas around the state. The Colorado Region is part of the Rocky Mountain Zonal forum (rmfna.org), which is made up from other regions close to us. They do workshops related to service and serve in other capacities from time to time.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE ☺