



# 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 up of groups in Loveland, Fort Collins, Greeley, Windsor and Estes Park. The Area Service Committee (ASC) is made up 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.
- Members who would like to receive email notices of upcoming events, area business matters, meeting changes and important announcements for Off the Wall Area Aka "The Blast" send a request to join the OTWASC google group by using the [Contact Us](#) page. The email address for members to send a "Blast" to all members is: [otwasc@googlegroups.com](mailto:otwasc@googlegroups.com) (Please be sure to join first, or your message will not go through.)

### 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 NA requirements are at least 3 months to sit at some of the panels, and 6 months to share. Lock up facilities have different standards for permission to get in, panel leads have information about requirements.
- 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](http://otwna.org)). We also do flyer drives and have literature racks in various places.
- Activities – holds Area sponsored events to help promote unity and fellowship among 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. It is highly suggested that literature forms are submitted to the [otwliterature@gmail.com](mailto:otwliterature@gmail.com) before the area meeting. It is helpful to the literature chair to get orders in early while supplies last. 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 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday monthly, except July.
- The GSR checklist is available on our website as an easy reference for information that's relevant to the position and their home group.
- Please submit Group and Sub-committee reports via the new Online Report Form or email to [otwsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:otwsecretary@gmail.com). Both forms can be found at [otwna.org](http://otwna.org) (double click on GSR Checklist in the dropdown menu). Reports not emailed or submitted through the Group Report form will not be added to the minutes. Reports will only be accepted up to 7 days after Area. Reports can include, but are not limited to, the following: Newly elected positions, area donation and literature order amount, meeting date, time, location and format changes, 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. If groups have speakers and events that are coming up, please bring flyers!!! If you are unable to attend the ASC when we meet, you can send a report to [otwsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:otwsecretary@gmail.com) and the report will be read at the meeting. 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).
- In addition to attending the monthly ASC, GSR's also typically attend two Regional Assemblies that are held in person or on digital platform in April and September. Every three 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 represent their group's conscience at the April Assembly and attend in person or can submit an online form. Groups areas and regions can also put forth motions to be included in the C.A.R. or presented at the WSC. The Assembly that the C.A.R. is voted on is held in Denver.
- GSR's or the groups themselves are responsible to register at the world level at [na.org](http://na.org).
- The Off the Wall Area is part of the Colorado Region ([nacolorado.org](http://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](http://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 😊**