Virtual NA Meetings: Connecting to the Service System

Welcome to the second Local Service Toolbox survey, which will be available until 31 May, 2021. This survey focuses on how virtual meetings are connecting to the rest of the NA Fellowship. We encourage you to share your experience and ideas in response to these questions. You are welcome to complete the survey as an individual member, or with others in a group or service event setting.

We are using the term virtual meetings to refer to online, phone, and chat-based meetings—really any meetings that do not meet in person or that are hybrid and have some remote attendees.

We first want to ask you about the status of virtual meetings, and whether they can be considered as NA groups.

The Group Booklet states:

What is an NA group?

When two or more addicts come together to help each other stay clean, they may form a Narcotics Anonymous group. Here are six points based on our traditions which describe an NA group:

1. All members of a group are drug addicts, and all drug addicts are eligible for membership.
2. As a group, they are self-supporting.
3. As a group, their single goal is to help drug addicts recover through application of the Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous.
4. As a group, they have no affiliation outside Narcotics Anonymous.
5. As a group, they express no opinion on outside issues.
6. As a group, their public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion.

1. Do you believe that virtual meetings meet the criteria to be NA groups, as listed in The Group Booklet?
   - Yes

   No - Please explain why you answered no

   If you’re not sure, please tell us why

2. Does your group intend to continue meeting virtually after restrictions are lifted?
   - If yes – Has your virtual group discussed how they can be a participant in a service body?

   If yes - Please describe the main points of that discussion. (If your group is currently participating in a service body, there is no need to describe that experience here. The next question will ask more about this.)

   No

   Don’t know

3. Is your virtual group participating in a service body?
   - If yes - Please describe those activities (check all that apply)
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- We send a GSR to an ASC
- We attend a group support forum
- We attend a virtual support forum
- We are part of a virtual area that attends a region
- Other

Please share some details here________________________________________________________

If no - You indicated that your virtual group is not participating in a service body: Does it provide any other services in addition to the recovery meetings that it hosts?

If yes - Please describe those activities________________________________________________

4. Do you have any additional thoughts or ideas you would like to share? __________________________

5. Please let us know who is filling out this survey: member, group, or service body/event

6. We ask for information about your location to ensure that we are hearing from members all over the world. Please tell us which country you are from:

7. If you live in the US, please tell us which state you are from:

8. Please enter your email address here so we can contact you if we have questions about your experience.

Please contact us at toolbox@na.org if you have any questions.