Group Quick Start Guide

Study The Group Booklet: www.na.org/ips—Choose your language and click on the booklet (and check out other NA literature on the page).

Gain support from other NA members in or near your community. Attend NA meetings and let members know you intend to start a new group.

Find a meeting place; determine the day(s) and time(s) of the meeting.

Develop your meeting format. Remember you can change it as you find what works and what doesn’t.

Review the Local Service Resource page for lots of support materials, including sample meeting formats: www.na.org/localresources

Contact your local service body to announce your new group. This body usually oversees:
  - Local NA meeting list
  - Local NA website
  - Local NA phoneline

Establish guidelines for managing the group’s funds. The Group Booklet and IP #28, Funding NA Services are useful resources: www.na.org/ips

Get literature. Your local service body may have information about this, or you can purchase online: www.na.org/orderlit

Further reading
  - NAWS bulletins: www.na.org/wsbulletins
    Open and closed NA meetings
    Special interest meetings
    USA banking, EIN, and tax liability information
    USA Liability Insurance Bulletin
  - Service Pamphlets: www.na.org/svcpamphlets
    Group Trusted Servants: Roles and Responsibilities
    Group Business Meetings
    Disruptive and Violent Behavior
    NA Groups & Medication

Questions or comments: email us at fsmail@na.org, or call +1 818.773.9999

NA groups are formed and facilitated by NA members. If you are not a member but are interested in supporting the start of a new NA group, please contact us.