**2023 *CAR* PowerPoint   
Script 4 of 7: *CAR* survey**

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This is the fourth of seven PowerPoints covering material in the 2023 *Conference Agenda Report* (or *CAR* for short).

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This PowerPoint covers the Literature, Service Material, and Issue Discussion Topic survey.

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Please keep in mind, these PowerPoints only cover the main points of the *CAR*. We encourage all members to read the *CAR* itself. Please visit [www.na.org/conference](http://www.na.org/conference) for the complete 2023 *CAR*, the other PowerPoints, and other conference materials.

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The opening essay of the *CAR* provides some background about the resource challenges the pandemic created for NA World Services and the role of the *CAR* survey in trying to unite two streams of ideas for projects: World Services’ strategic planning process and *CAR* motions. Despite achieving more than we imagined possible with fewer resources than we’ve had in decades, World Services is still facing a considerable backlog of work. The results of the *CAR* survey help the conference select Issue Discussion Topics and prioritize literature and service material projects to work on in the cycle ahead. This prioritization process is important because there are more good ideas than there are resources to accomplish the work.

Please see the *CAR* introduction, particularly pages 4 through 6, for more detail.

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This is the fourth time we are including a survey in the *CAR*. Four of the items in this survey come from regional motions the WSC has already approved to create project plans, and those are shown in blue with an asterisk after the title. The date in parentheses after these items is the year the motion was passed.

Most of the remaining ideas are carryovers from the previous three surveys. We have also included the applicable ideas contained in regional and zonal motions in the 2023 *CAR* as well as ideas we have heard since the last conference through conversations, emails and phone calls, workshops, and input to the planning process.

The survey keeps getting longer and longer, and it can be a bit overwhelming. To keep the size of the lists practical, the board tried to group similar ideas, and eliminated some items from previous *CAR* surveys that had a very low selection rate.

After compiling all of the ideas, the board distributed a draft of this survey to conference participants for input, and then incorporated their ideas for changes where possible. Some participants suggested they would like to see an even more abbreviated list of choices, and perhaps in the future we will have a process for participants to collaboratively vet the *CAR* survey lists.

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Members can fill in the online version of the survey posted at [www.na.org/survey](http://www.na.org/survey) by the first of April, 2023. The board is also asking conference participants to submit the conscience of their regions and zones by that same date. All of the survey results will be compiled for the conference to consider and included in the WSC minutes.

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Unless otherwise directed by WSC 2023, the board is planning to continue work on finalizing revisions to *The Loner* IP, which was a project passed in 2020. Members were clear in their responses to the *Loner* survey about what they would like to see changed or included.

We have also surveyed the Fellowship about their ideas for material to be in an IP about drug replacement therapy/medication-assisted treatment (DRT/MAT) as it relates to NA. WSC 2018 approved a motion to create a project plan to create that IP, and the 2020 WSC approved the idea for a survey and to accept “DRT/MAT as it relates to NA—what do we want to say in a piece of NA literature?” as the first Issue Discussion Topic for the cycle.

The results of both surveys will be included in the *Conference Report*.

The Recovery Literature section of the survey will help the WSC set possible priorities for future work/project plans

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This is the full list of items in the **New Recovery Literature** section of the survey. Please select up to three from this list.

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This is the full list of items in the **Revisions to Existing Recovery Literature** section. Please choose no more than two from this list.

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The Service Material section of the survey will help the WSC prioritize the focus of a service tools project for the upcoming cycle, and it may help set possible priorities for future work/project plans. Virtual Meeting Basics, which is posted at [www.na.org/virtual](http://www.na.org/virtual) and na.org/basics, was created during the pandemic as a direct result of our experience and the responses to the CAR survey.

NA service material used to be dominated by weighty handbooks—those are posted at www.na.org/handbooks. In more recent years, world services has been collecting best practices in shorter, easier-to-translate “basics”—those are posted at www.na.org/basics. The basics are accessed more frequently online than longer service material is, and they are well suited to our diverse and international membership.

While ideas for new service tools are valuable, we also have a lot of very old service material that still contains helpful ideas but needs to be updated to reflect current experience and reality.

Based on this, the service material section is also divided into ideas for new pieces and ideas for revisions.

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This is the full list of items in the **New Service Material** section of the survey. Please select up to three options.

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This is the full list of items in the **Revisions to Existing Service Material** section of the survey. Please select up to two options.

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**Issue Discussion Topics** (IDTS for short) are just that—issues that are discussed throughout the Fellowship in the time between Conferences. The results of IDT workshops and discussions can help to create the foundation for service pamphlets and other tools and literature. Sharing your priorities will help the WSC select Issue Discussion Topics for the upcoming Conference cycle.

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This is the full list of items in the **Issue Discussion Topic** section of the survey. Please select no more than three options.

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As a reminder, we will collect responses from members and from regions and zones until the first of April 2023. You can access the survey at [www.na.org/survey](http://www.na.org/survey).

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We hope this PowerPoint has helped in your discussion of this material. Please note that there are six other PowerPoints that focus on the rest of the *CAR*. These resources, the *CAR* itself, and the online *CAR* survey are available online at [www.na.org/conference](http://www.na.org/conference).

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