Safety Statement

Each group has but one primary purpose, to carry the message to the addict who still suffers. For a group to carry the message an atmosphere of recovery is essential, and it is the responsibility of members to maintain that atmosphere.

Predatory behaviour can make NA meetings unsafe for vulnerable people and therefore the groups primary purpose is not fulfilled.

Sexual harassment and sexual assault, Threats or acts of violence and drug dealing are not welcome in NA meetings. The rules of society do not stop at the door of an NA meeting, behaviour that is unacceptable or illegal outside an NA meeting is unacceptable or illegal inside a NA meeting. This group believes that any behavior, such as using fellowship to elicit sexual, and/or romantic encounters, personal and/or financial favors, distracts from the primary purpose of carrying the message of recovery to the addict and as such will not be tolerated. If anyone feels uncomfortable about the approach or behavior of another member in person or online, please raise this with someone you feel safe with so the group can address it.

Older cleaner members and trusted servants such as secretaries and area committee members as well as members in general have a responsibility to help protect vulnerable members. We need to do everything we can within the traditions to ensure newcomers and older cleaner members alike know an NA meeting is a safe place.