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The most important thing we can do for another addict is let them know where they can find a meeting. We need your help to accomplish that.

Some of you may have heard World Services is changing our meeting finder app and website. Instead of trying to maintain accurate information for the more than 72,000 meetings in over 140 countries around the world, our website and meeting finder app will refer people to local websites and phonelines for meeting information. Local meeting information is typically more accurate and up-to-date.

In order for the new system to work, however, we need to know the town or the city at the geographical center of all local websites and phonelines (area, regional, etc.). We emailed regional delegates to ask for help geotagging websites and phonelines, but website and phoneline service work is typically done by other trusted servants. If you are a local trusted servant who helps post meeting information online or make it available to phonelines, we're asking you to help us gather the information we need. If you haven't given your delegate or RCM information to help with the geo-tagging or contacted us, please email [nadata@na.org](mailto:nadata@na.org) with any information you have to provide.

It may sound boring—geotagging, websites, data, apps—but it really is a life or death matter. Our Fifth Tradition in the Basic Text reminds us “The group is the most powerful vehicle we have for carrying the message.” Help us help addicts find recovery.

We are holding an open web meeting 11 November, 11am–12:30pm, Pacific Standard Time, to walk through the new approach to the meeting finder and explain what information we need from trusted servants. Meeting ID: 827 1145 8381, Passcode: 1953. Anyone is welcome, but it is particularly geared toward trusted servants who help maintain local meeting information via website or phoneline. We will record the web meeting and post the video on [www.na.org/meetingsearch](http://www.na.org/meetingsearch) afterward.

**11 November**  
11 am -12:30 pm PST  
(19:00-20:30 GMT)

**NAWS**  
**“New Meeting Finder”**  
**Informational Meeting**

A walkthrough of the new approach and explanation of what is needed from regions/areas regarding changes to the NAWS meeting locator (switch from an interface that lists meetings to one that lists local websites and phonelines).

Spanish and Portuguese translation provided.  
Contact [nick@na.org](mailto:nick@na.org) if you require other interpretation.

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The fact that we, each and every group, focus on carrying the message provides consistency; addicts can count on us. Unity of action and purpose makes possible what seemed impossible for us—recovery.

The Twelfth Step of our personal program also says that we carry the message to the addict who still suffers. Working with others is a powerful tool. “The therapeutic value of one addict helping another is without parallel.” For the newcomers, this is how they found Narcotics Anonymous and learned to stay clean. For the members, this reaffirms their commitment to recovery. The group is the most powerful vehicle we have for carrying the message.

-Basic Text, “How it Works,” Tradition Five

Thank you for all you do to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.

With gratitude,

World Board

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