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Hello.

We are grateful to be able to use so many different kinds of media to meet the needs of our growing Fellowship. Today we get to tell you about three very different resources:

- H&I Basics Draft
- Dealing with Disruptive and Predatory Behavior Webinar Recording
- Gender-Neutral and Inclusive Language Group Resources

H&I Basics Draft: The second of three pieces in our H&I Basics series is now available for review and input. You'll find the draft on the project page, and a form for input on the survey page. This tool, H&I Basics: Treatment, is addressed to those bringing meetings into treatment settings. It was developed with input from members doing hospitals and institutions service around the world, and for the next 90 days we invite input and suggestions from all interested members to make this the most useful resource it can be. The first piece in the series, H&I Basics: Corrections, is being revised based on your input now. The third piece, H&I Basics: Committees, will come next and will be focused on H&I committees' structure and functions.

Webinar Recording: this past weekend we had the honor of hosting an honest and creative conversation about dealing with disruptive and predatory behavior in and around NA meetings. More than 600 members from around the

world attended live, and the audio recording is now available on the <u>webinar page</u>. We invite everyone to present and respond to the <u>workshop session profile</u> posted for this issue discussion topic (IDT). And don't forget, a section of our <u>local service resources page</u> is devoted to the topic.

Gender-Neutral Group Resources: Since we posted the IDT on gender-neutral language, it has become clear that many groups are creatively addressing this challenge, while others are seeking resources to support their efforts. Accordingly, we would like to build a webpage of resources; this page will be a place for groups to share what is working for them. If your group makes an announcement or addresses the issue in your format, please share that. If you're using alternative, gender-neutral readings from NA texts that are unaltered, we'd love to know what they are. Send material you would like to share on the webpage to wb@na.org. Thank you! We won't post the readings themselves, but will post where in the literature they can be found so other groups can use them as well. We intend for this to be an information hub so that NA groups can share solutions with each other. Don't forget about the Gender-Neutral and Inclusive Language FAQ that is posted on the Issue Discussion Topic webpage.

We want every NA meeting to be attractive, effective, and safe – so that every addict in the world can experience the message in their own language and culture. Open conversations, shared resources, and new service material are all in development to improve our efforts at carrying the message. Your participation is what makes NA happen, and there are more ways than ever to be involved.

With gratitude,

World Board

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