



## Talking points about the Area 19 Pre-Conference Forum

This announcement is for Chicagoland AA Members.

The voice of the AA Group is carried by the GSR (General Service Representative) and the voice of Area is carried by the Delegate. Our Area 19 Delegate Represents all AA Members in Chicagoland and wants to hear your voice to carry the informed group conscience to the General Service Conference in April – which is like a “big business meeting” for all AA in the United States and Canada.

**All AA Members in Chicagoland are invited** to attend a Pre-Conference Forum to share your opinion on potential agenda items and exercise the Fourth Concept (Right of Participation).

### **Here are some of the Potential Agenda Items we want to hear your opinion on:**

- Create a pamphlet for mental health professionals
- Reconsider past 1972 action on acceptance of contributions from clubs not solely of AA Members
- Review generalized language options in the AA Preamble
- Consider request to revise the book Alcoholic Anonymous
- Consider development of a Fifth Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous
- Consider request to revise the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions
- Consider text to revise text related to open meetings in the pamphlet “The AA Group”
- Group Representation and Participation for online meetings at the Area and General Service Structure

### **Three Different Dates:**

#### **Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup> Pre-Conference Forum 9am-4pmCT Full Program and Mock Conference**

All Area Delegates are randomly assigned a Committee. On Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>, AA Members can participate in a Mock Conference which is a similar experience to what our Delegate will experience. Each AA member will be divided into small break out rooms and assigned a committee to discuss potential agenda items. After a lunch break, we will resume as a larger group for reports, discussion and voting.

Two other sessions are on week nights Monday March 29<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday April 13<sup>th</sup> both 6pm-8pm. These are 2-hour meetings and an opportunity for any AA Member in Chicagoland to share their opinion on a few potential agenda items. **Monday March 29<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday April 13<sup>th</sup> Town Hall 6pm-8pmCT**

**Summary:** Pre-Conference Forum is a chance for every AA Member in Area 19 Chicagoland to tell the Delegate what you think about the upcoming potential agenda items at the General Service Conference or the “big business meeting for all of AA.” She is supposed to vote what you all think. Three Different Dates: Sat. 4/10 all day full program 9am-4pmCT or Mon. 3/29 or Tues 4/13 both 6-8pmCT

**Pre-Register before Monday March 22<sup>nd</sup> by emailing [gsc\\_alt@chicagoaa.org](mailto:gsc_alt@chicagoaa.org) with your contact information and which session you would like to attend.**

Any questions contact Alternate Delegate Sean K at [gsc\\_alt@chicagoaa.org](mailto:gsc_alt@chicagoaa.org) or Delegate Monica F at [gsc@chicagoaa.org](mailto:gsc@chicagoaa.org)



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