



PROGRESS THROUGH WORLDWIDE UNITY

NAR-ANON WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 2023

MOTION SUBMISSION FORM

Motion Maker (Region, WS Committee, NSO, or BOT): Central California

Please place an X in the box next to the area(s) to which the motion applies:

Literature X

LitCom, BoT, and

Website

WSO

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Policy and Guidelines X

Other:

Outreach

Motion (What is the action being requested?): Insert the following paragraph into the Guide to World Services, Nar-Anon Recovery Literature and Service Materials section, Copyright and Trademark Information subsection, on page 27 of the English translation, after the paragraphs regarding the Nar-Anon copyrights, ending “This does not create any legal right or claim to Nar-Anon’s CAL.” and before the first paragraph regarding the Nar-Anon logo, beginning “The Nar-Anon’s Name and logo are trademarks of NFGH, Inc.” adding:

“The process by which a registered group or verified Nar-Anon event may be granted the Fellowship’s written permission to screen share a limited selection of Conference Approved Literature (CAL) is described in the procedure below:

1. The contact person for the group or event will send an email request to the WSO with a list of no more than five (5) choices from the Nar-Anon Literature Order Form, specified by the assigned WSO item name and number.
2. The WSO will review the request to ensure the group is a registered Nar-Anon group, or the Nar-Anon event is confirmed, for example, by an attached flyer.
3. The WSO will send a response by email with a decision within two weeks.
4. When the group’s registration is confirmed or the event is verified, limited screen sharing permission is granted. Screen sharing is limited to no more than ten (10) total readings, from among the five (5) designated documents, per meeting or event session.
5. This permission is limited and expires after two (2) years, or with the closure of the group, or conclusion of the event, whichever comes first.
6. In consideration for this limited permission, a suggested Seventh Tradition donation from the group or event will be made to WSO.
7. If the group is not yet registered or the event is not yet verified, the WSO will offer verification/registration assistance in the email notification.
8. The WSO may delegate the above described responsibility to an NSO or region.

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Intent (What will this action accomplish?): The GWS currently says Nar-Anon CAL cannot be retransmitted without “written permission,” but does not specify a procedure for granting such written permission. This motion will address that gap. This procedure parallels the successful procedure currently in use to grant permissions for the trademarked Nar-Anon Logo.

Rationale (Why is this desirable?) (Limited to 150 words): Newcomers are often the most disadvantaged members in the room in that they do not have ready access to our CAL and/or perhaps lack funds to directly purchase literature. Groups cannot loan or immediately donate literature during a virtual meeting as we can, and often do, during an in-person meeting. This motion authorizing limited screen sharing will make our meetings more inclusive and welcoming for the newcomer. Attraction and retention of the newcomers is one of the most challenging responsibilities faced by groups in accomplishing our primary purpose to help families and friends of addicts find recovery. Literature carries our message of recovery. Sharing that literature, at the expense of the group, with newcomers, is an important function of the group. With the WSC approval of this screen-sharing permission procedure, Nar-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc. will be authorized to license CAL to its groups so all can read our literature during a meeting via screen-sharing.

Financial Impact (What will this cost or what income will it generate?): The impact is minimal. Many groups are screen sharing. This procedure formalizes and monetizes what is already occurring.

Virtual and hybrid groups will donate to cover printing and distribution costs of screen-shared literature. Growing numbers of newcomers and others will be exposed to and encouraged to purchase literature.

Date motion approved by submitting body: 7 /16 /22

Date minutes submitted to WSC Committee for conference record: 7 /24 /22