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NAR-ANON WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 2018

**TO ALL NAR-ANON REGIONAL CHAIRS, REGIONAL DELEGATES, ALTERNATE DELEGATES, BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBERS, WORLD SERVICE COMMITTEE CHAIRS, AND NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICES:**

The following information about the Nar-Anon World Service Conference (WSC) 2018 is provided to help your region plan its participation in our seventh WSC, from April 27 through April 30, 2018 in Torrance, California. The theme for the WSC 2018 is *Recovery· Unity· Service*, and we invite and encourage all Nar-Anon regions worldwide to attend the upcoming conference.

## **THE WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE (WSC)**

The WSC is the permanent body for the expression of the conscience of the Nar-Anon/Narateen Fellowship through our traditions. It meets every two years in April or May in Southern California. Its membership is composed of regional and alternate delegates, the board of trustees, the chairs of all world service committees, the WSO executive director, WSO administrative staff, the WSC secretary and the WSC facilitator.

Regional delegates and board of trustee members have voice and vote at the conference. Alternate delegates have voice at the conference, and in the absence of their delegate, they have vote. World service committee chairs have voice limited to their committee report and questions regarding their committee's activities. The WSO executive director has a voice limited to her report and questions regarding WSO activities. The WSC facilitator conducts the conference business sessions using the Standing Rules of the Conference and Robert's Rules of Order.

## **THE CONFERENCE AGENDA REPORT (CAR)**

The *Conference Agenda Report (CAR)* will be distributed a minimum of 150 days prior to the opening day of the conference. The report contains the Standing Rules of the Conference and the motions that the Nar-Anon Fellowship will consider at the WSC. In order to provide the fellowship with relevant information, the World Service Board of Trustees may include their comments on the *CAR*, including any financial impact that could result if the motion is passed.

Motions submitted to the WSC cannot be substantially the same as motions from the *CAR* that failed at either of the prior two conferences. For WSC 2018, this would include WSC 2014 and WSC 2016. Additionally, there is a moratorium on motions to alter recovery literature for two conference cycles after the literature has been adopted by the conference. For example, motions passed at the 2014 conference changed the *Blue Booklet*. Therefore, motions proposing changes to the *Blue Booklet* could not be accepted until the 2020 conference. A catalog of all motions submitted to or approved at the last two conferences will be available on the World Service website.

Motions submitted for placement in the *CAR* that attempt to change, amend or delete Nar-Anon Family Groups' policies or guidelines shall include those sections in the motion. It is the responsibility of the maker of the motion to provide information with their motion. Additional information concerning submission of motions can be found in the *Nar-Anon Family Groups' Guide to World Services (GWS)* under **Submitting Motions for Placement in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR)**.



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The *CAR* will be emailed to each delegate and alternate delegate and will be posted on the Nar-Anon World Service website, [www.nar-anon.org](http://www.nar-anon.org). All other documents for the WSC 2018 will be provided by email. Hard copies will be available from the Nar-Anon WSO at a price determined by the cost of production and shipping.

#### **CONFERENCE APPROVAL TRACK (CAT)**

The CAT contains materials defined as non-recovery literature, such as handbooks, outreach literature, project proposals, and other service related literature. The WSC Committee will distribute CAT material for review. The CAT does not require presentation to the fellowship in the *CAR* and may only receive conference approval provided the material was sent to the conference participants at least 90 days prior to the WSC.

#### **ATTENDING THE WSC**

Delegates and alternate delegates from all regions in the world are welcome to attend the WSC. Delegates and alternate delegates should be members who have been area service representatives (ASRs). If this is not feasible, regions may select from members who have completed a minimum of three years continuous service as group service representatives (GSRs) in Nar-Anon. For a delegate or an alternate delegate to be recognized at the WSC, their region must submit a copy of the minutes verifying election or continued endorsement of the delegate and alternate delegate or other written confirmation that they were previously elected and that their term will be in effect through the current WSC. A regional or national officer, not the delegate or alternate delegate, must submit the eligibility verification. Any member with voice at the conference or the WSC facilitator may challenge a delegate or alternate delegate's credentials. In the absence of the documentation described above and with approval of the conference, the member may be recognized as a regional representative with voice, but no vote.

Regional chairs and/or national service offices should inform the WSC Committee at [wscconference@nar-anon.org](mailto:wscconference@nar-anon.org) of their intention to send delegates and/or alternate delegates by December 31 prior to the WSC. A region may send one delegate and one alternate delegate to the conference. National service offices in countries outside of the United States and Canada may determine the number of regions in their countries. World service trustees, world service committee chairs and any other interested Nar-Anon members should inform the WSC Committee of their intention to attend the conference by December 31 prior to the WSC.

Telephone inquiries regarding the WSC should be made to the executive director of WSO, 1-800-477-6291 from the USA and Canada, or 1-310-534-8188 from outside the USA and Canada. Email inquiries should be sent to the WSC Committee, [wscconference@nar-anon.org](mailto:wscconference@nar-anon.org) or to the executive director, [wso@nar-anon.org](mailto:wso@nar-anon.org).

Yours in service,  
WSC Committee  
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### **WSC 2018 LOCATION AND ACCOMMODATIONS**

April 27 – April 30, 2018  
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Torrance – South Bay  
21333 Hawthorne Boulevard  
Torrance, CA 90503  
United States  
[DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Torrance - South Bay](#)

### **DATES FOR 2016 - 2018 WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE CYCLE**

May 3, 2016	WSC 2016 - 2018 cycle begins.
June 30, 2017	WSC Committee informs each region of equalized expense amounts.
August 30, 2017	Deadline to submit regional motions in draft form.
October 9, 2017	Deadline for all motions to be in final form.
November 28, 2017	CAR available and distributed to regions.
December 31, 2017	Deadline to inform WSC Committee of region's intention to participate in WSC 2018 and submissions by each regional treasurer of equalized expense sum.  Deadline for BOT members and world service committee chairs to inform the WSC Committee of their intention to attend the conference.
January 27, 2018	Conference Approval Track (CAT) material available and distributed to regions.
February 26, 2018	Deadline for regional reports and minutes showing election or continued endorsement of delegate or alternate delegate.
March 28, 2018	Agenda for WSC 2018 distributed to all attendees.
April 26, 2018	Pre-conference orientation – Torrance, California.
April 27 – 30, 2018	World Service Conference 2018 - Torrance, California.