

Bridging the Gap

AA VOLUNTEERS SERVING YOU

WHAT THE PATIENT NEEDS TO KNOW:

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others recover from alcoholism.

- The only requirement is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues of fees for AA membership, we are self-supporting through our own contributions.
- AA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution, does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses or opposes any causes.
- Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.



HOW CAN WE HELP:

Part of Bridging the Gap between a treatment program and AA is the **Temporary Contact Program**, which is designed to help the alcoholic in an alcoholism treatment program make that transition.

One of the most “slippery” places in the journey to sobriety is between the door of the facility and the nearest AA group or meeting. Some of us can tell you that, even though we heard of AA in treatment, we were too fearful to attend a meeting outside by ourselves.

AA experience suggest that attending meetings regularly is critical, in order to bridge the gap. AA members have volunteered to be temporary contacts and introduce newcomers to Alcoholics Anonymous in their home town.

The temporary contact will introduce him or her to other AA’s, make sure he or she has the phone numbers of several AA members, and share the experience of membership and a home group.

Patient Name _____ Patient ID# _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Telephone _____ - _____ - _____ Gender M _____ F _____ Age _____

Treatment Facility Name _____

Treatment Facility Telephone _____ - _____ - _____ Discharge Date ____/____/____

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