

Proposed Agenda Item (PAI) Submission Form for the General Service Conference (GSC)

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Warm Greetings from the Conference Assignment at the GSO!

Thank you for taking the time to consider proposing a policy level idea that might be useful for the good of A.A. within our US/Canada service structure. For suggestions that do not concern overall policy, there are procedures to ensure they are routed to the most appropriate part of the service structure,

This is an exciting opportunity for your group's voice to be heard.

While the General Service Conference operates all year round, the annual meeting, usually held in April, is the culmination of the year's activities, the time when the collective group conscience of U.S./ Canada A.A. comes together to take actions that will guide the groups in the years that follow.

All parts of our Fellowship — group meetings, committees, offices, Conferences, and group jobs — share one common purpose: to help the alcoholic who still suffers.

In accordance with our Twelve Traditions, we need a system of communication for finding out how A.A. as a whole feels about its world affairs, and how it wants to operate. The General Service Conference serves as the group conscience for A.A. in the U.S. and Canada.

The resources mentioned below are available in English, Spanish, and French, on the GSO website, www.aa.org. It is all done in the spirit of Love and Service.

Participation in the GSC Process is a year-round cooperative effort. The Conference meets for six days a year, yet the 136 or so Conference members are active in Conference affairs throughout the year. Every A.A. group shares its experience with other groups through its area delegate to the Conference.

Does my PAI rise to the policy level?

For A.A. to run its own affairs, each A.A. group needs to make its voice heard on overall A.A. policies. Proposals are important to the future of Alcoholics Anonymous such as policy decisions or request for changes to Conference-approved literature, and items that might require the collective conscience of the Fellowship. To understand about proposed agenda item submissions in general, please visit the section, "Sources of Agenda Items" in the [A.A. Service Manual](#) on page 42.

Who participates in PAI submissions?

AA Groups, Districts and Areas: To contact your local GSR, District, or Area Committee or Delegate, please visit the link to "[List of General Service Conference Area Websites](#)." These local A.A. trusted servants strive to help you develop PAIs and discuss Conference Background materials and help the delegate prepare for the GSC.

Individual A.A. members: Individual A.A. members can participate in the Conference Process by submitting a PAI. While all items are received equally, experience has shown that ideas greatly benefit

from the value of a broader group conscience. Consider if and with whom you would like to have a group conscience discussion on the proposed agenda item prior to submitting.

Sharing on Participation? Thanks to contributions from A.A. members across the U.S. and Canada here is sampling of resources from GSO that include sharing about participating in the Conference Process:

Read: "[A.A. Service Manual](#)," "[Circles of Love and Service](#)," and "[The A.A. Group](#)."

Watch Video: "[Your General Service Office \(GSO\), the Grapevine and the General Service Structure](#),"

Listen: "[Twelve Traditions Long Form](#)"

When is the PAI Deadline for the 77th GSC?

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What happens after a PAI is submitted? Your submission will be forwarded to the trustees' Committee or Board for discussion. Following the Fourth Quarterly General Service Board meeting, the committee secretary will contact you to let you know the outcome of the committee's deliberations.

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Proposed Agenda Item Submission Form**

(1) Submit a clear and concisely worded motion. (50 word limit)
(2) What benefit does this proposed item offer? (50 word limit)
(3) What level of group conscience, if any, discussed the proposed agenda item? Please indicate whether the item is being submitted by an individual, group, district, or area.
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(4) Provide background information that describes and supports the reasoning for the proposal. List background material(s) included with the proposal:

(5) How would this proposed item benefit the still-suffering alcoholic, if approved? (100 word limit)
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(6) Provide a primary contact for the submission.
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Name:
Service Position:
Email:
Phone:

(7) Final comments: (50 word limit)
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Submit completed PDF forms to the GSO Staff Member on the Conference assignment:

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