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2025 Conference Committee on Corrections

ITEM A: Review contents and format of Corrections Kit and Workbook.

Background notes:

Kits and workbooks for Corrections, CPC, Public Information, Treatment Facilities, and Accessibilities are reviewed by the corresponding Conference Committee during each General Service Conference.

Between Conferences, ideas for changes to a workbook or to the contents of a kit may be received. These may be reviewed by the appropriate trustees' Committee and implemented.

Alternatively, the trustees' Committee may choose to forward an idea to the Conference Committee for review. Members of the Conference Committee then have an opportunity to review proposed changes to a Workbook or Kit during the next General Service Conference.

The Corrections Workbook (M-45i) is contained in the kit. The content list of the Corrections Kit is available on GSO's A.A. website (www.aa.org) with hyperlinks to most items listed.

Secretary's Note: Workbooks and kits are service pieces, and suggested changes to their content do not become recommendations; rather, they are put forth as Additional Committee Considerations.

Secretary's Note: A new flyer has been added to the corrections kit that highlights literature available on tablets.

Background:

Correction Kit:

- [ENG](#)
- [FR](#)
- [SP](#)

Corrections Workbook:

- [ENG](#)
- [FR](#)
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1. Corrections Kit (provided to Conference Committee on Corrections members only)

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ITEM B: Review progress report on the development of a pamphlet for the transgender alcoholic in A.A.

Background notes:

Excerpt from November 2, 2024, trustees' Nominating Committee meeting report:

The committee requested the committee secretary prepare two memos to the trustees' Literature Committee to begin the search process for these two ACMs.

Excerpt from July 27, 2024, trustees' Literature Committee meeting report:

Development of a pamphlet for the transgender alcoholic: The committee discussed the 2024 Conference Advisory Action requesting the development of a pamphlet for transgender alcoholics. The committee considered elements of workload and finance, noting the benefits which ACMs have brought to recent literature projects through the involvement of members of the intended audience. The trustees' Literature Committee agreed to forward a memo to the trustees' Nominating committee requesting an ACM from the transgender community.

2024 Advisory Action

A pamphlet on the transgender alcoholic in A.A. be developed and that a draft pamphlet or progress report be brought to the 2025 Conference Committee on Corrections.

Secretary's note:

An ACM search announcement was distributed to the Fellowship in February 2025, with an April 15, 2025, deadline date. It is anticipated that a working group or subcommittee will be formed after an ACM is identified and in place, and that an update report will be provided to the 2026 General Service Conference.

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ITEM C: Review Data from Tablet Vendor Edovo

Background notes:

Excerpt from February 2, 2025, trustees' Corrections Committee meeting report:

The committee reviewed a report reflecting January 2025 data analytics from the tablet vendor Edovo. The committee recognized the value of the analytics in assessing engagement at correctional facilities using Edovo tablets and **agreed to forward** the report to the 2025 Conference Committee on Corrections.

Background:

1. Data from Tablet Vendor Edovo

CX-C1 Review data from tablet vendor Edovo

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Edovo area engagement

Area	Number of facilities	Unique Starts	Unique Completes
Area 01: Alabama/N.W. Florida	56	704	306
Area 03: Arizona	24	3623	1793
Area 04: Arkansas	24	880	323
Area 05: Southern California	2	267	150
Area 06: Northern Coastal California	19	2771	1583
Area 07: Northern Interior California	31	3238	1846
Area 08: San Diego/Imperial California	6	366	221
Area 09: Mid-Southern California	5	1028	642
Area 10: Colorado	11	763	346
Area 13: District Of Columbia	1	39	22
Area 14: North Florida	45	410	165
Area 15: South Florida	29	946	509
Area 16: Georgia	18	336	178
Area 18: Idaho	6	61	28
Area 19: Chicago Illinois	2	729	478
Area 20: Northern Illinois	8	517	276
Area 21: Southern Illinois	10	231	90
Area 22: Northern Indiana	9	83	44
Area 23: Southern Indiana	8	202	102
Area 24: Iowa	3	143	70
Area 25: Kansas	6	113	64
Area 26: Kentucky	18	178	56
Area 27: Louisiana	1	16	4
Area 28: Maine	16	443	181
Area 29: Maryland	27	262	141
Area 30: Eastern Massachusetts	9	276	140
Area 31: Western Massachusetts	4	84	28
Area 32: Central Michigan	10	168	71
Area 33: Southeastern Michigan	1	2	1
Area 34: Western Michigan	11	504	185
Area 35: Northern Minnesota	5	172	83
Area 36: Southern Minnesota	4	41	25
Area 37: Mississippi	15	105	53
Area 38: Eastern Missouri	6	76	37
Area 39: Western Missouri	2	15	8
Area 40: Montana	9	851	325
Area 41: Nebraska	14	452	227
Area 42: Nevada	5	87	49

Area	Number of facilities	Unique Starts	Unique Completes
Area 43: New Hampshire	9	279	136
Area 44: Northern New Jersey	7	244	164
Area 45: Southern New Jersey	5	59	31
Area 46: New Mexico	10	236	130
Area 47: Central New York	15	230	96
Area 48: NENY Area Association	8	57	41
Area 49: Southeast New York	7	228	161
Area 50: Western New York	5	106	45
Area 51: North Carolina	67	3838	1458
Area 52: North Dakota	5	20	10
Area 53: Central Southeast Ohio	19	402	160
Area 54: Northeast Ohio	21	460	201
Area 55: Northwest Ohio	6	87	43
Area 56: Southwest Ohio	8	116	51
Area 57: Oklahoma	25	392	154
Area 58: Oregon	18	425	211
Area 59: Eastern Pennsylvania	26	1231	619
Area 60: Western Pennsylvania	12	258	116
Area 61: Rhode Island	1	8	7
Area 62: South Carolina	33	928	312
Area 63: South Dakota	6	632	271
Area 64: Tennessee	10	136	55
Area 65: Northeast Texas	45	1161	664
Area 66: Northwest Texas	8	810	469
Area 67: Southeast Texas	42	755	417
Area 68: Southwest Texas	44	2092	1161
Area 69: Utah	12	265	147
Area 71: Virginia	30	430	237
Area 72: Western Washington Area	12	236	104
Area 73: West Virginia	23	444	210
Area 74: N. Wisconsin/ Upper Penn. MI	10	141	57
Area 75: Southern Wisconsin	15	258	147
Area 76: Wyoming	4	86	42
Area 92: Washington State East	6	413	200
Area 93: Central California	10	635	317

Edovo ebooks engagement by title

Title eBooks	Unique Starts	Unique Completes
A.A. in Prison: A Message of Hope	1,577	250
Alcoholics Anonymous (4th Edition)	1,255	137
Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age	666	92
As Bill Sees It	828	73
Came to Believe	798	95
Daily Reflections	7,529	427
Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers	688	68
Experience, Strength & Hope	1,202	136
Living Sober	894	164
Our Great Responsibility	564	80
Pass It On	1,139	101
Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions	929	164
Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous	308	25

Title eBooks	Unique Starts	Unique Completes
Experience, force & espoir	242	190
Le Mouvement des AA Devient Adulte	189	29
Les AA en Prison	723	94
Les Alcooliques anonymes	104	34
Les Douze Étapes et les Douze Traditions	103	35
Notre grande responsabilité	323	55
Nous en Sommes Venus à Croire	253	27
Réflexions Quotidiennes	208	22
Vivre ... sans alcool!	53	16
AA Llega a su Mayoría de Edad	432	50
Alcohólicos Anónimos	430	58
Como Lo Ve Bill	596	57
Doce Pasos y Doce Tradiciones	233	38
Llegamos a Creer	865	105
Nuestra gran responsabilidad	1,009	113
Réflexions de Bill	521	45
Reflexiones Diarias	1,300	77
Viviendo Sobrio	131	28

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Edovo audiobooks engagement by title

Title Audiobooks	Unique Starts	Unique Completes
Alcoholics Anonymous - Audiobook (4th Edition)	14,792	10,023
Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions - Audiobook	18,131	13,608
Living Sober - Audiobook	12,242	11,564
Daily Reflections (Audiobook)	14,316	11,408
Les Alcooliques Anonymes (Livre audio)	1,301	711
Les Douze Étapes et les Douze Traditions (Livre audio)	852	355
Vivre ... sans alcool (Livre audio)	1,410	652
Réflexions Quotidiennes (Livre audio)	2,170	1,567
Alcohólicos Anónimos (Audio libro)	21,689	16,816
Doce Pasos y Doce Tradiciones (Audio libro)	12,613	9,202
Viviendo Sobrio (Audio libro)	14,841	11,939
Reflexiones Diarias (Audio libro)	36,324	31,928

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Edovo newsletter engagement by title

Title Newsletter	Oct-Nov ONLY Unique Starts	Oct-Nov ONLY Unique Completes
Alcoholics Anonymous: Box 4-5-9 Fall 2023 Edition	108	8
Alcoholics Anonymous: Box 4-5-9 Spring 2024 Edition	42	21
Alcoholics Anonymous: Box 4-5-9 Summer 2024 Edition	99	58
Alcoholics Anonymous: Box 4-5-9 Winter 2023 Edition	32	17
Alcoholics Anonymous: Sharing from Behind the Walls Fall 2023	96	59
Alcoholics Anonymous: Sharing from Behind the Walls Spring/Summer 2024	37	29
Alcoholics Anonymous: Sharing from Behind the Walls Winter 2023-2024	39	29

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2025 Conference Committee on Corrections

ITEM D: Corrections Survey

Background notes:

Excerpt from February 2, 2025 trustees' Corrections Committee meeting report:

The committee reviewed a report on a corrections survey distributed by the General Service Office's Corrections assignment. The committee noted the usefulness of gathering current information and shared experience on service within correctional facilities. The committee **agreed to forward** the corrections survey report to the 2025 Conference Committee on Corrections.

2024 Conference Committee on Corrections Consideration:

The committee requested that the staff coordinator on the Corrections desk gather shared experience on how local corrections committees encourage and engage members in corrections service. The collected shared experience would be available upon request from the corrections desk.

Secretary's note: The 2024 Conference Committee on Corrections requested that the staff member on the Corrections desk gather shared experience on how local corrections committees encourage and engage members in corrections service. On October 3, 2024, the survey was sent out in three translations (English, French, and Spanish) to delegates, area corrections chairs, district corrections chairs, H & I chairs (area and district), Bridging the Gap chairs (area and district), and listed active correctional groups. The survey was completed as of December 16, 2024, with 759 initial responses with 460 entries qualifying to enter the survey.

- Q3. The responses made us aware that most service done within correctional facilities is received through districts in the general service structure.
- Q4. The highest response to this question revealed members become involved in this kind of service through sponsorship, A.A. members and homegroups.
- Q5 & Q6 noted responses from 74 areas within the general service structure giving visual representation of the locations of these facilities.
- Q8. Although there are meetings conducted virtually, 96% of our responses selected in-person format for how they facilitate meetings.

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- Q9. Discussion meeting was the format most members had selected when facilitating meetings, with 58% of respondents selecting this option.
- Q10. The *Alcoholics Anonymous* (Big Book) was found most useful at 86%, the *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*, Grapevine Literature, and *Daily Reflections* also received notable reference as useful sources.
- Q11. 55% of members who filled in the survey made us aware that there is no access to tablets for members on the inside.
- Q13. Complimentary literature was the highest selected option of services or materials that corrections service members made inside members aware of. However, there was substantial feedback in the Other Local Resources selection. This included local publications and the Meeting Guide app, which was displayed as a write-in option.
- All answers provided in Q14 & Q15 were reviewed by the staff member on Corrections to understand the consensus of submissions and are represented in the survey results. Additionally, all Other (please specify) options were examined and reviewed through the same criteria.

Background:

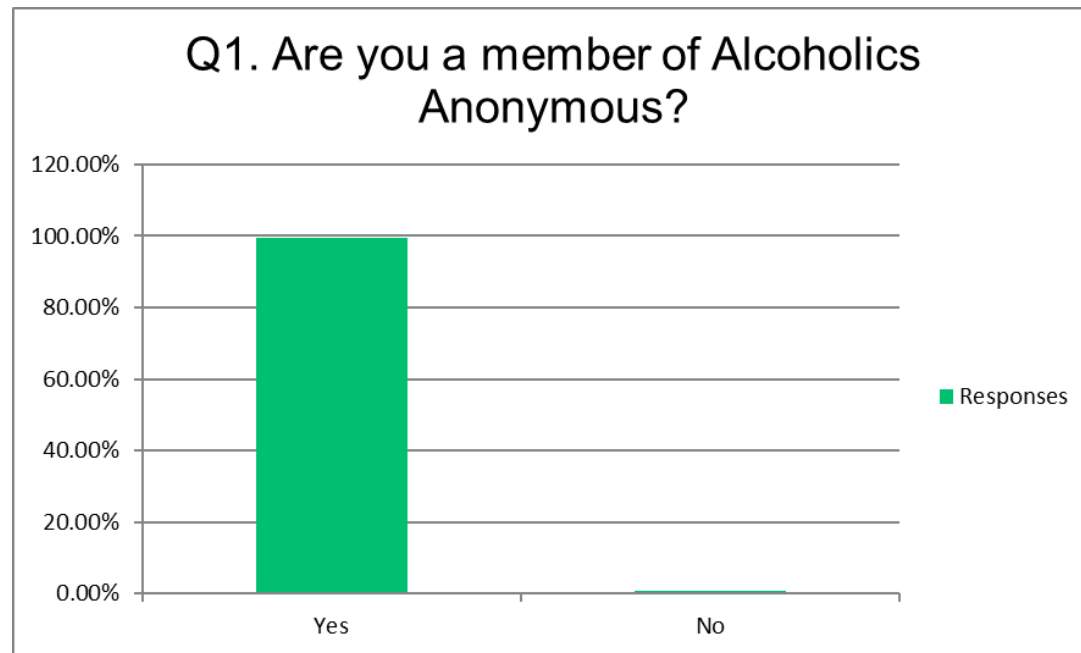
1. Corrections survey

Corrections Survey

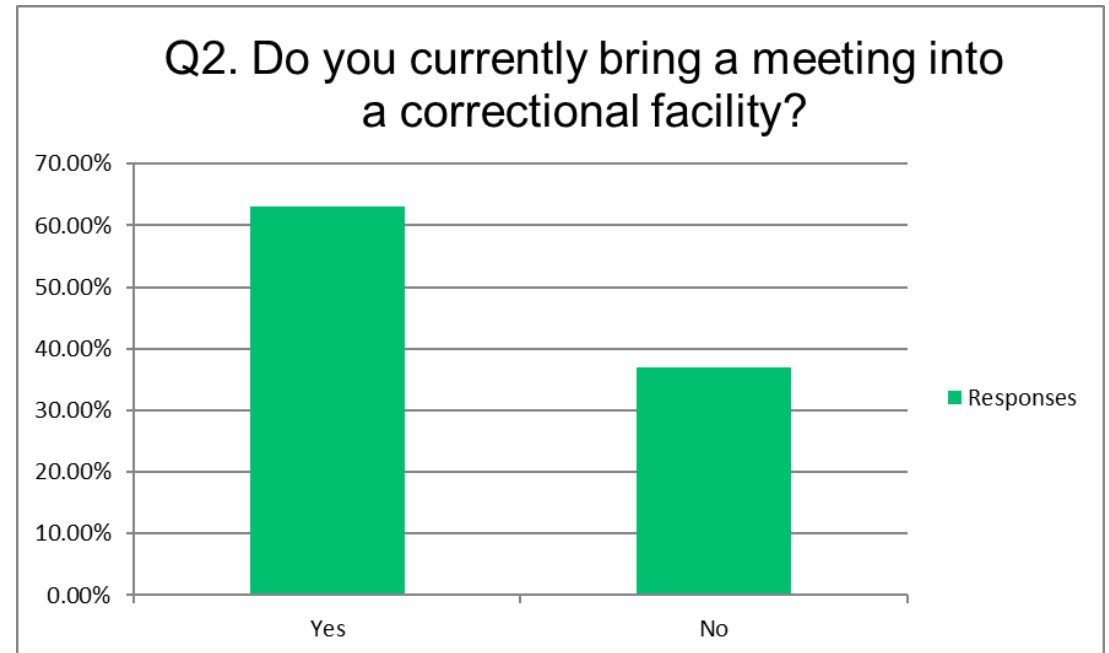
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***While there is cooperation from non-alcoholic professionals the intent of this question was to receive feedback from A.A. members.**

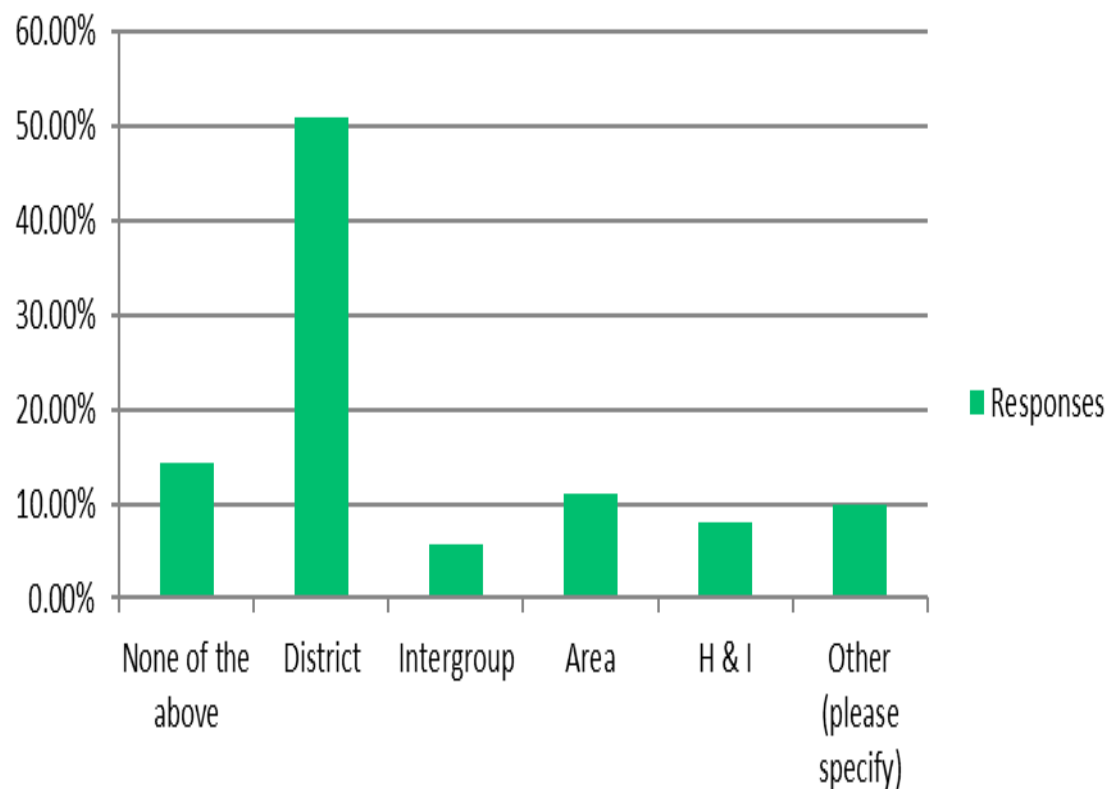


***The intent of this question was to gain current shared experience by filtering out members who are no longer supporting meetings to a correctional facility at the time of this survey.**



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Q3. Are you part of a district, intergroup, area, or other committee in regard to this service commitment?



Other (please specify):

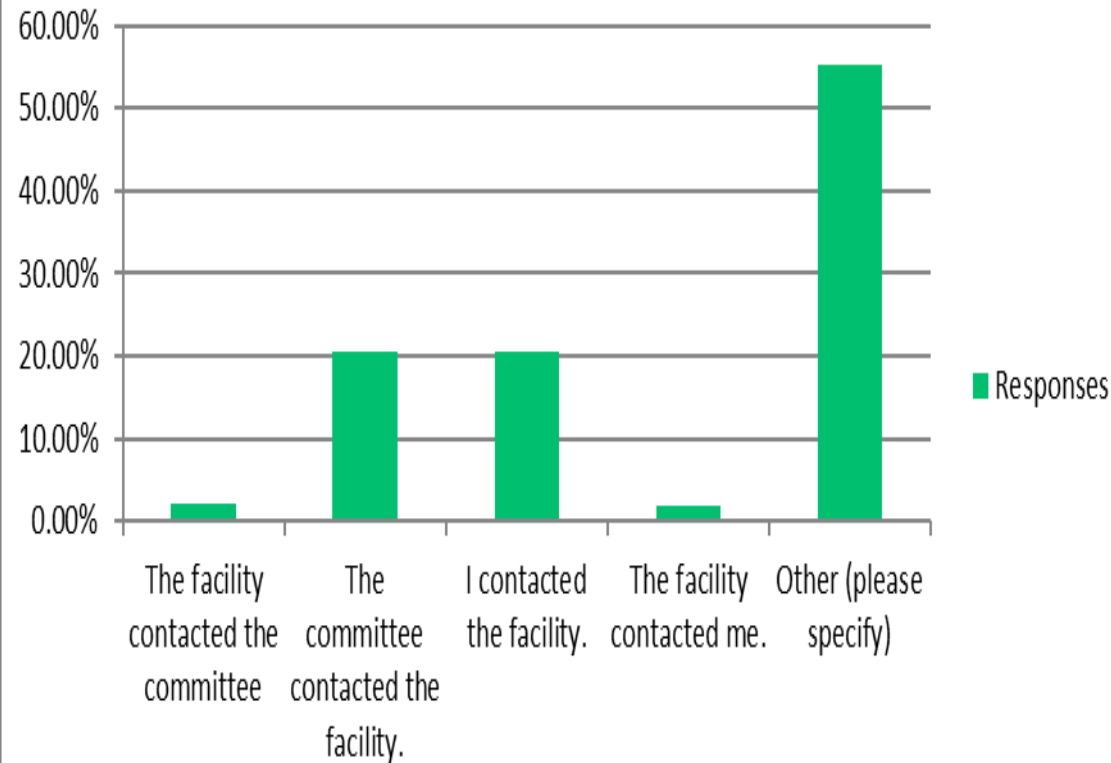
Meetings

International Corrections Meeting

Corrections Connections

Individual Volunteers

Q4. How did you initially get involved in bringing a meeting to the inside of this correctional facility?



Other (please specify):

- Sponsor
- A.A. member/Homegroup
- Corrections Workshop
- Roundups
- National Corrections Conference

Q5.
What City and State/Province
is your meeting located in?

Q6.
What is the name of the
correctional facility you bring a
meeting to?



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Q7. What is the primary language of this meeting?

English (374)

Spanish (3)

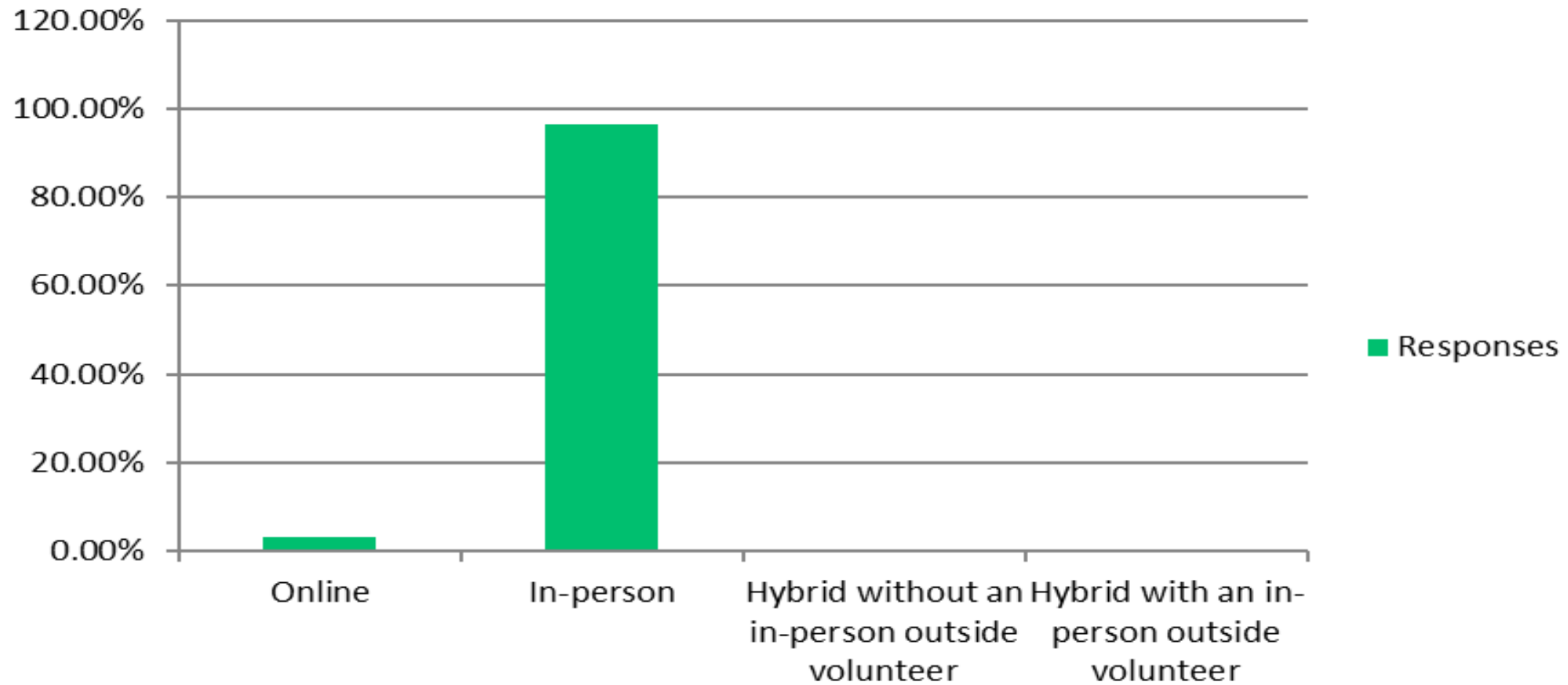
English & Spanish (5)

French (6)

Vietnamese (1)

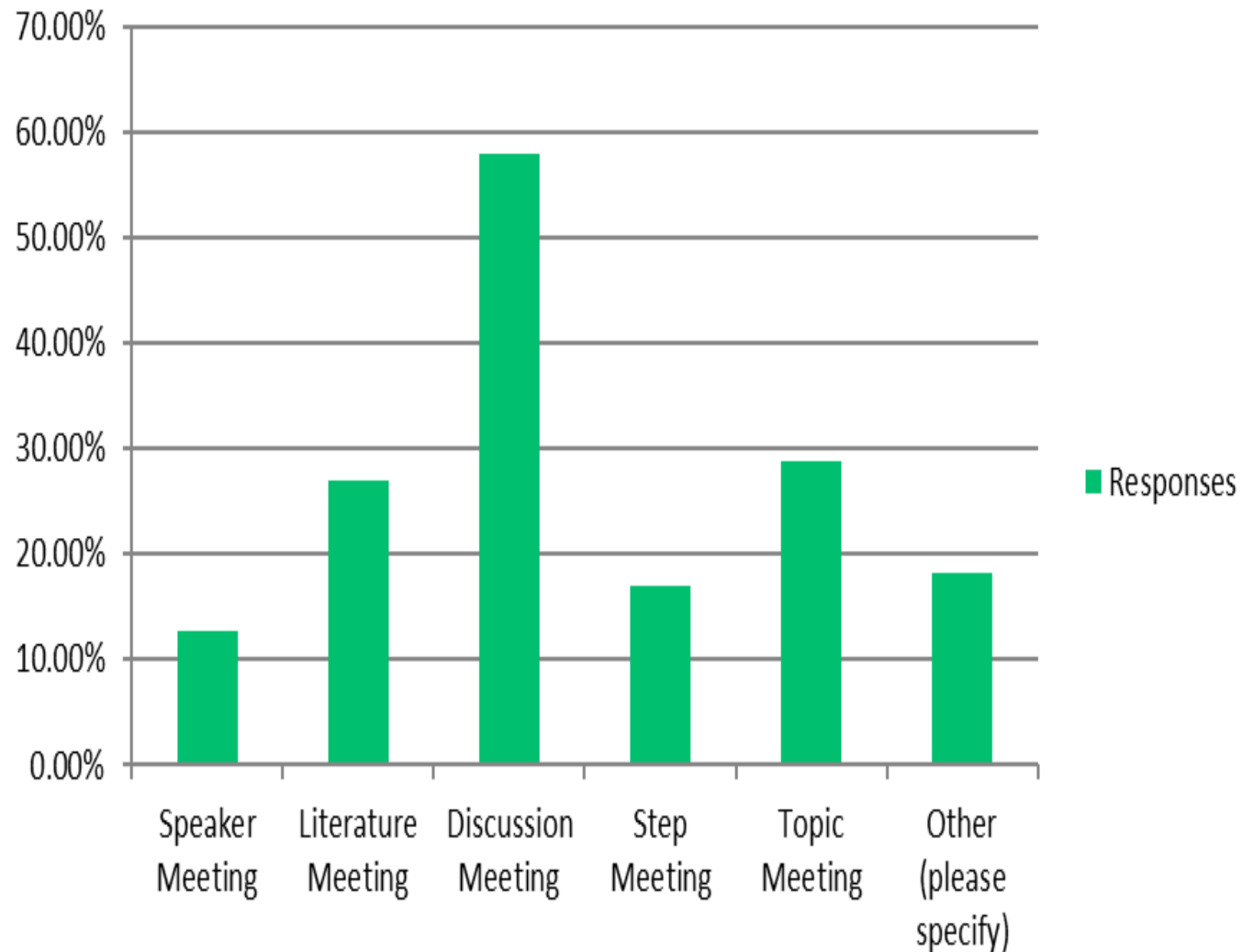
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Q8. How is this meeting conducted?



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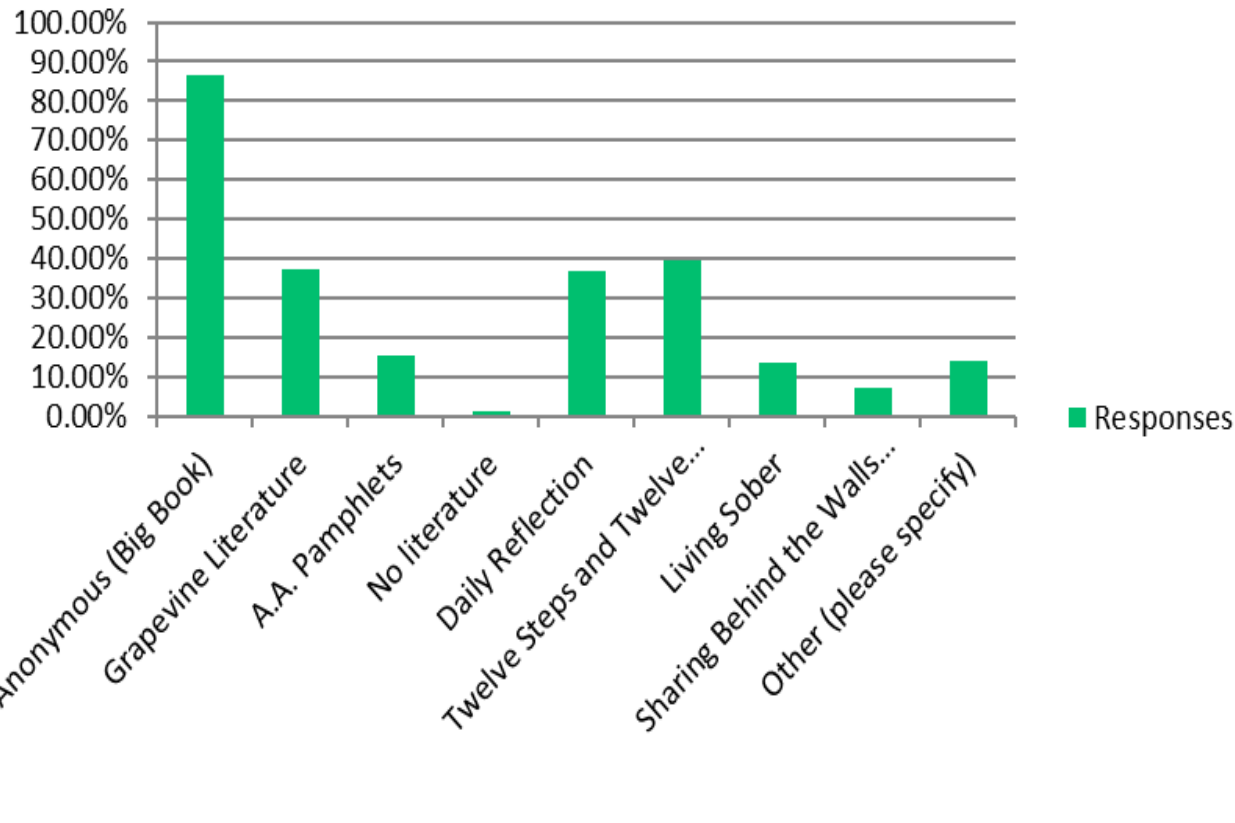
Q9. What is the format of this meeting?



Other (please specify):

- Question and Answer
- Panel
- Rotating
- Steps 1,2,3

Q10 Which pieces of A.A. literature do members on the inside request or respond to the most?

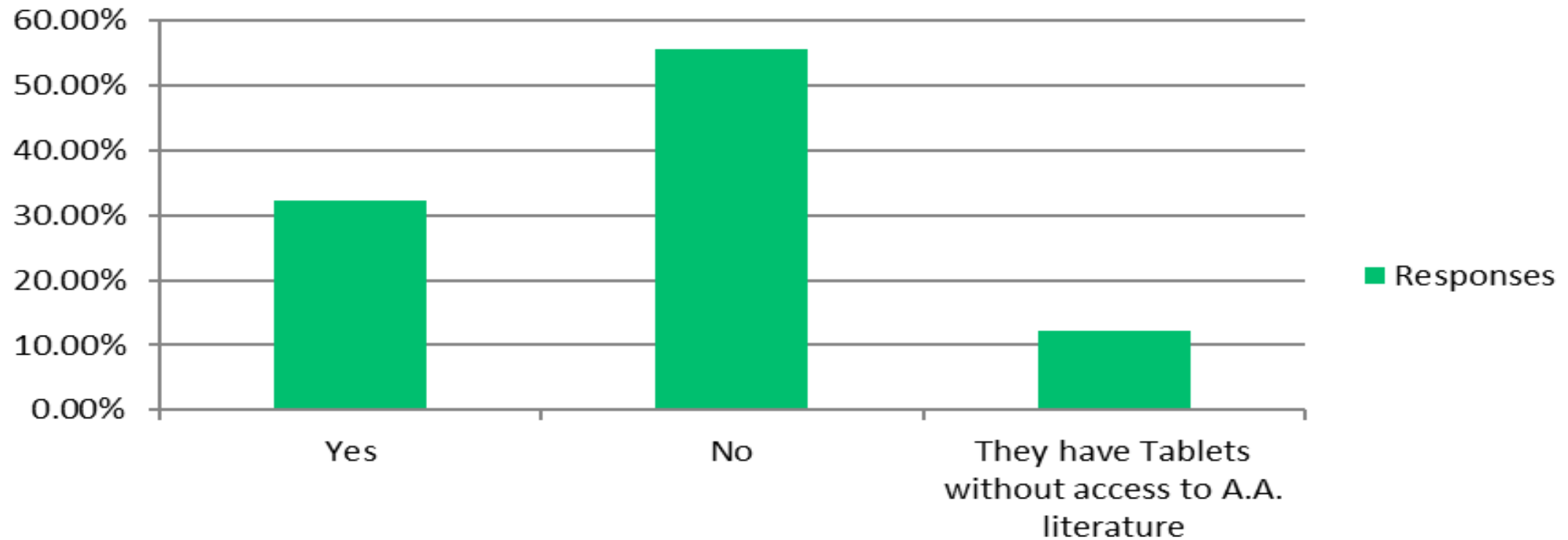


Other (please specify):

- Box 4-5-9/District minutes
- Came to Believe
- As Bill sees it
- Area 79 publication on First Nations
- Audio Cassettes

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Q11. Does the facility give inside members access to tablets where they can access A.A. literature?



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Q12. Do you have any lessons learned from doing service on the inside of correctional facilities?



Understand facility rules and have patience with facility constraints



Have meeting as an open meeting rather than a closed meeting



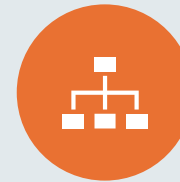
Avoid outside issues (religion, fraternization, inside matters, and etc)



Have insiders chair meeting and outsiders share experience strength and hope



Connect with professionals on the inside to provide contacts for release and local meeting information

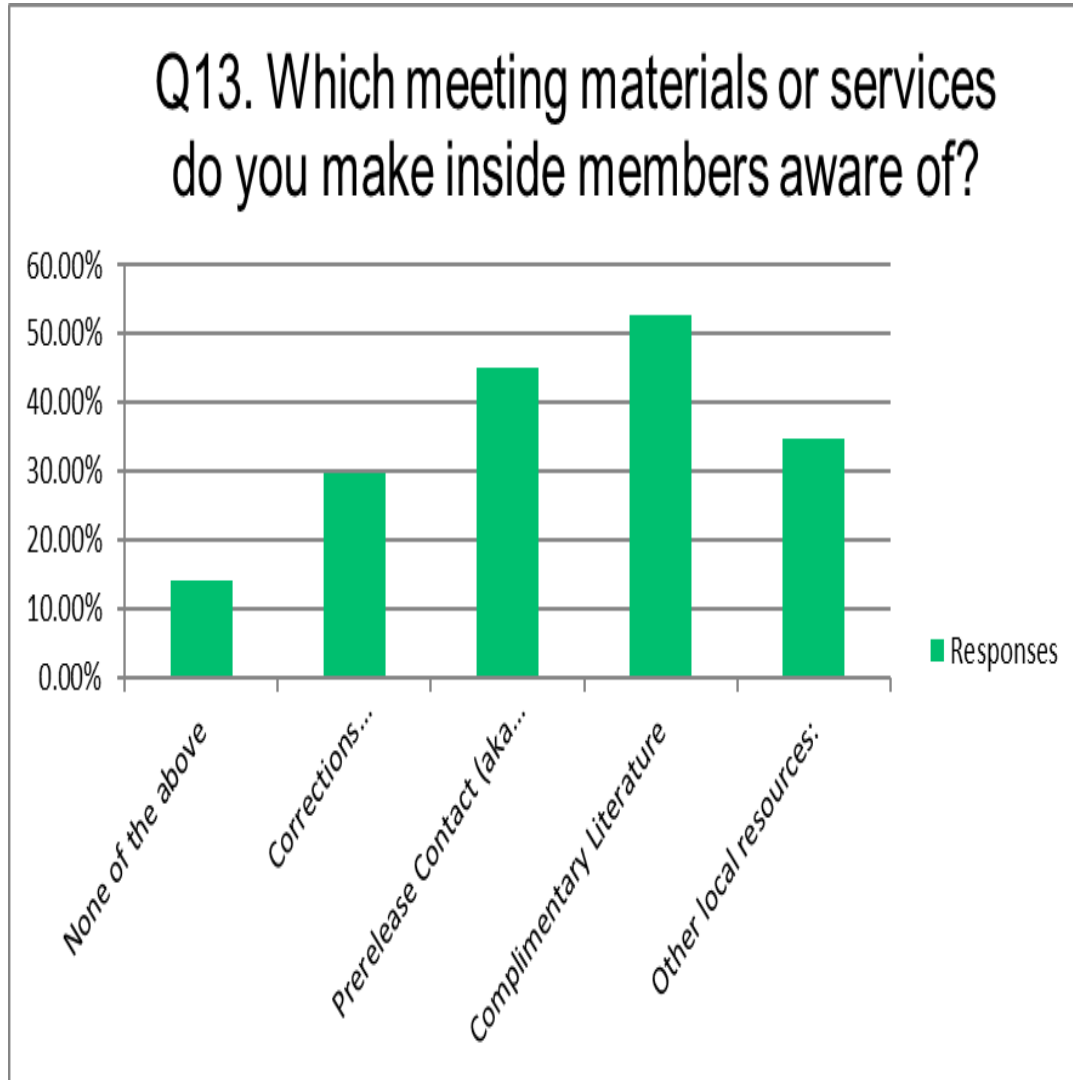


Keep meetings consistent and structured



Focus on literature for basis of topics

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Other (please specify):

- Meeting Guide App
- Local Meeting List
- A.A. literature on tablets

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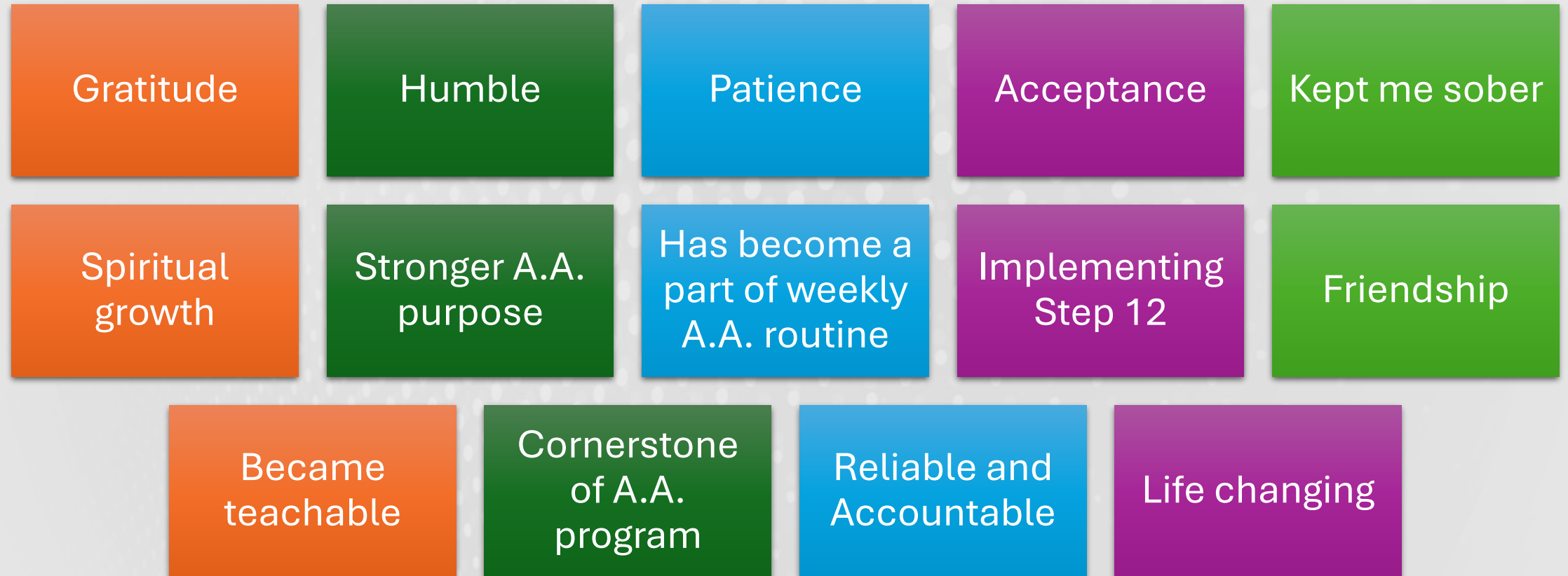
Q14.

How do you attract outside members to do service on the inside of correctional facilities?

- Announcements at meetings
- Flyers about service opportunities in Corrections
- Announcements at Intergroup meetings, District meetings, and GSR meetings
- Post service opportunities on district website or newsletter
- Regional Conferences
- Correctional Workshops
- Personal invitation from member/sponsor
- Share personal experiences on how it has benefited your sobriety

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Q15. How has this service commitment influenced your personal recovery?



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2025 Conference Committee on Corrections

ITEM E: Consider request to update Appendix IV in the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* to include other awards and commendations received by AA since 1951.

Background notes:

Excerpt from the November 2, 2024 trustees' Literature Committee meeting report:

The committee considered the request to "Update Appendix IV in the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* to include other awards and commendations received by AA since 1951" and **agreed to forward** to the 2025 Conference Committee on Literature.

Secretary's note: Previous history and actions on this item are located in the History and Actions for the Conference Committee and trustees' Committee on Literature.

Background:

1. PAI #65 "Update Appendix IV in the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* to include other awards and commendations received by AA since 1951" submission form.

2025 Conference Committee on Corrections

PAI #65 - Update Appendix IV in the book "Alcoholics Anonymous" to include other awards and commendations received by AA since 1951.

General Service Conference (GSC) Proposed Agenda Item Submission Form

(1) Submit a clear and concisely worded motion.
Update Appendix IV in the book "Alcoholics Anonymous" to include other awards and commendations received by AA since 1951. For instance, add the Library of Congress adding this book to one of the ten most influential books of the 20th Century and any other awards and commendations I do not know about.
(2) What problem does this proposed item address?
It will help make the book more current and help PI/CPC Committees better able to explain the advantages of using the AA program of recovery from alcoholism
(3) What level of group conscience, if any, discussed the proposed agenda item? Make it clear who is submitting the item (an individual, group, district, area, etc.).
Note: 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.
This is my idea and I did not have time to present to Area 39 for agreement.
(4) Provide background information that describes and supports the reasoning for the proposal. List background material(s) included with the proposal:
I am hoping the GSO Archives department can fill in the blanks.
(5) What are the intended/expected outcomes if this proposed item is approved?
An updated version of the appendix section of our book making it more current (as I hope the medical and religious opinion appendices are being brought into the 21st

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century. As these appendices read now, no further information has been provided since the third edition had been published!

(6) Provide a primary contact for the submission.

(7) Final comments:

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