

Responsibility Statement

I am responsible
whenever anyone,
anywhere reaches
out for help, I want
the hand of AA
always to be there.
And for that:
I am responsible.

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THE AA PREAMBLE

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization, or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

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FOR THE AA AREA 35 MEMBER ON THE INSIDE

CORRECTIONS TEMPORARY CONTACT PROGRAM (CTCP)

CONNECTING INSIDE ALCOHOLICS WITH OUTSIDE ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

A Twelve Step Service of the
Minnesota Statewide Corrections
Committee

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Southern Minnesota Area 36
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TO THE INSIDE ALCOHOLIC

If you are between three months and one year of your release date, we can arrange to have a member of Alcoholics Anonymous correspond with you while you are in the facility and be your temporary contact when you are released. If you will be released in less than three months, we may be able to locate a contact in the community of your release. If you will be released in more than one year you are eligible for a different correspondence program offered by Alcoholics Anonymous and we will send you information about that program.

Your temporary contact will write to you, sharing their experience, strength and hope as it relates to alcoholism. When you are released, they will attend AA meetings with you, introduce you to members of the fellowship, and help you choose a home group and sponsor or temporary sponsor.

Your contact is temporary. They are there to support you, explain our program of recovery and answer questions you have about Alcoholics Anonymous. They will not provide housing, food, clothing, employment, or money. You will hear suggestions for sobriety and be introduced to the basic recovery tools of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Experience has shown that attending an AA meeting within 24 to 48 hours after release is key to making a sober transition to life outside a corrections facility. We know that Alcoholics Anonymous can do for you what it has done for us and countless others

Corrections Temporary Contact Program

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CORRECTIONS TEMPORARY CONTACT PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

Here's how you can obtain a temporary contact and what you can expect:

1. Complete and detach the Contact Request Form. Mail, fax or email it to the address, fax or email address at the bottom of the form. Keep the remainder of the brochure for your information.
2. A member of Alcoholics Anonymous will write to you. If you do not receive a letter within four to six weeks, you should complete another form and mail, fax or email it to us. You can also write to us and ask about the status of your request.
3. Once you have established a mutual comfort level with your temporary contact, we encourage you to make plans to attend a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous with them within 24 to 48 hours after your release.
4. Please remember, your temporary contact is there to make your transition to outside Alcoholics Anonymous as comfortable as possible. It is up to both of you to decide when the time has come for your temporary contact to move on to help another inside alcoholic.

Some professional refer to alcoholism and drug addiction as "substance abuse" or "chemical dependency." Non-alcoholics are, therefore, sometimes introduced to A.A. and encouraged to attend A.A. meetings. Non-alcoholics may attend open A.A. meetings as observers, but only those with a drinking problem may attend closed A.A. meetings.

CORRECTIONS TEMPORARY CONTACT REQUEST FORM

Please print legibly.

Name _____

OID# _____

Facility _____

Release Date _____

Address After Release (provide as much detail as possible)

Street _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

County _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Gender _____

Year of Birth _____

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