

HAWAII AREA 17
Orientation Assembly January 9-10, 2021
<https://area17aa.org/>

Standing Committee Report

CEC = Cooperation with the Elder Community

RESOURCES for GSRs:

<https://area17aa.org/area-committees/cooperation-with-the-elder-community-cec/>

CEC chair: Billy S from the island of Hawaii currently works in the geriatric field.

Mentioned that the last panel did a wonderful brochure and focused on nutritional routes.

In his experience the director of the facility would be able to assist us with clear-cut direction. Perhaps set up a FaceTime or zoom. Necessary to capture information on the various capabilities of an individual facility on how we could reach the suffering alcoholic.

Director of facility might introduce us to the Activity's Director. We also discussed the need to educate staff, where there is no understanding about seniors in with alcoholic problems. How do we educate staff? Flyers ... one on ones? Ask the facilities what they need! How can we assist them?

Many care homes now provide tablets. Work with other committee chairs to develop PSAs that could encompass several topics for radio station use?

Tailor a plan to the community. And what their capabilities are. If they have a communal library where people sign up, do they have a computer, could we add a zoom link to the top of that computer screen?

Should we set up a 24 hour a day seniors in Sobriety zoom meeting, or just one already exist? There is a seniors in Sobriety website... But it seems to be a bit outdated.

Grassroots effort in our home group and provide outreach. What members are in our old home group, (when we met in person) that of senior age? Set up a buddy system to check in with them help them get online and general outreach... "I am responsible"!

New residents who are diagnosed may not have any ability to find us. Suggestion to do PSA through church bulletins. Elder housing also have bulletin boards and newsletters, potentially.

Inquire if they have a private channel on an internal TV station where we could provide access to a zoom meeting. Or perhaps a YouTube grapevine talk. If that is impossible perhaps that allow for a posting on the internal television station offering phone number.

Ask if there are phone calls allowed to residents.... or letters to individuals who might be in need.

After discussion with former delegate, we would not be able to ask for donations of used equipment, but perhaps the resident could speak to their family members who have just recently upgraded equipment, then we could teach them how to use it.

Mentioned Oahu intergroup is putting together a training for seniors – will research status.

Pass this information onto GSR's in the "what to take back" and suggest a buddy system! Phone list of active service commitments, reach out to the seniors, a wellness check, an offer to hook them up with a zoom meeting and carry the message

District 8 started the CEC standing committee and has a Seniors in Sobriety group, Eric will research what they're currently doing

Past delegate mentioned at the lower income senior housing all live meetings have been shut down. How can we assist?

A new service position? One Alcoholic meeting the needs of another Alcoholic!

GSR's can go to the area 17 website click on area committee click on area standing committee click on CEC. A wealth of information!

Ways to carry the CEC message:

~ Identify facilities for Seniors and send the information to the Area Committee CEC Chair.

Name of Facility:

Address:

City, State, Zip code:

Phone:

Meeting notes from this round table will be sent to secretary@area17aa.org, and to all of the members of this committee. Along with contact cards.

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CEC	Connie	S	GSR	6	Na Wahine Ku Pono
CEC	Eric	C	GSR	8	KKAA
CEC	Lucy	B	GSR	11	Kihei Morning Serenity
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Our next steps are to be discussed.

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