Hawaii Area 17 Alcoholics Anonymous General Service Standing Committee Report

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Standing Committee: Treatment

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Suggestions: Start with how your committee is carrying the message through such things as workshops, events attended, committee goals carried out, etc. Your report will be limited to 2 minutes. Please provide a copy via email or hard copy to our area secretary.

What does the Treatment Committee do:

According to Hawaii Area 17 Structures and Guidelines, Treatment Standing Committee Coordinates the service work of A.A. groups and individual A.A. members who carry the message to alcoholics in medical and treatment settings. Sets up means of "Bridging the Gap" from treatment to A.A. and works to clarify what A.A. can and cannot do, within the 12 Traditions, to help alcoholics in medical and treatment settings.

How will the Committee do this:

At this stage of Panel 71, treatment centers have been in constant contact with me to continue the ongoing replenishment of AA literature. It has been a great way for us to grow the relationship between AA and the facilities. Our most recent facility addition was last month adding BISAC (Big Island Substance Abuse Council) to our list. I was also invited to District 5's meeting to discuss with their GSRs a little about what the treatment committee has been doing, what is planned for the rest of the year, and what they can do to engage and participate. Big Mahalo to Lea V. and District 5 for the invite and their support. Next step, for the committee and I, is to meet in September to start the planning for our next workshop.....Traditions and Treatment: What's the Connection?

Other Topics:

At our first workshop, Bridging the Gap, we elaborated on the importance of the Temporary Contact program and how we can utilize it to introduce a transition packet to the facilities. The transition packet would allow us to give the clients, who would be transitioning from the facilities, an opportunity to leave with contacts and information to enable them to stay plugged into the program, no matter what island they return to or stay on. I currently have 4 Contacts from Maui, 15 from Kauai, 2 from Big Island, 8 from Oahu, and 3 from outside of Hawaii. If anyone is interested in being involved in this initiative please email me treatment@area17aa.org.

At this point, we have spent \$503.25 YTD. I would like to thank the Area and the Finance Committee for the support in allowing us to continue to carry the message to our Treatment facilities and the clean and sober houses.