

Corrections Subcommittee Annual Report

Panel 71 Area 59 EPGSA

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The Corrections Subcommittee provides sharing on the challenges which arise in carrying the AA message into correctional facilities in the area; facilitates the area's "First Contact" program and encourages the districts' interest in this form of Twelfth Step work (p21, EPGSA Structure Manual 2021 Edition).

The greatest challenge this year and for panel 71 in general was the inability to take meetings inside the institutions due to the COVID 19 pandemic and the aftermath that ensued. There were a few Zoom meetings that made their way in and excessive rumors in regards to reopening dates but there were only a handful that actually did. During this time the committee decided to focus a great deal of time, money, and energy into the area's BTG program in hopes that when the persons in custody were released from their COVID forced solitude, they may be welcomed by a fellow AA member and accompanied to the meetings that help to maintain sobriety and guide recovery.

Service:

Presentation at the 2022 Share A Day
Discussion and deliberation of the agenda items presented at the 2022 PCSS
District Workshops and Business Meetings

Meetings:

Several Corrections Subcommittee Zoom meetings Several BTG steering committee Zoom meetings Area Quarterly meetings Delegate's Report Mini Assembly/DCM Planning Meeting NERAASA Area Day

Efforts:

Assisted the area BTG coordinator in collecting facility information throughout the districts to create a map for reference Receipt and delegation of BTG volunteer and contact requests when applicable.

Inventory of display materials utilized at area functions and upon request

BTG workbook edit

Regular attendance to the newly created BTG forum via Zoom in order to learn and share about the BTG efforts in other districts and areas

Upcoming:

It has been both a privilege and honor for us to serve as the corrections subcommittee for Panel 71. We hope that Panel 73 can benefit from the new recommendations that we thought pertinent in order to continue carrying the AA message behind the walls.

In service,

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