



Treatment and Accessibilities Sub-Committee Report

E.P.G.S.A Panel 71

September 12th, 2021

Area Quarterly Meeting, 4Q21

Committee Members-

Steve W. D45 (Chair), Melissa A. D37 (Secretary), Dave L. D60, Ray M. D32, Warren M. D59

Advisor- Pete B. Alt-Delegate

Since last Quarterly meeting in March, we communicated through zoom, emails and by phone. Throughout this first year, we are still focusing on the Bridging the Gap recommendations from the Delegate. We have been working with Ralph the BTG coordinator and Melissa the Area 59 Corrections Chairperson on joint workshop at EPGSA 2021

1. Meet regularly with Corrections sub-committee and BTG coordinator.

Melissa (Corrections Chair), Ralph (BTG), and I met on zoom to discuss a joint workshop between the Treatment and accessibilities committee, Corrections committee, and the Bridging the Gap Coordinator to be held at EPGSA

2. Reaching out to Districts in Area 59

As a committee we divided up all Districts geographically. We sent emails including a survey to all DCMs in Area 59. This survey was an inquiry as to how many treatment facility meetings each District held, if these meeting commitments were being fulfilled and if said District had a Bridging the Gap coordinator in correspondence with these facilities. Special mention was made to DCMs to forward survey to appropriate parties in their District, if they are unable to answer said questions.

Keeping in mind that there are 48 Districts Area 59, we were surprised to only have 13 responses.

3. Consider holding a workshop during the panel in collaboration with corrections sub-committee and BTG coordinator to discuss issues around twelve step work in Area 59.

We had a great response to the May 8th zoom workshop and are excited to bring a BTG workshop to EPGSA with the help of the corrections committee, as stated above.

4. New Bridging the Gap volunteer and new member sign up on www.area59aa.org

On our Area 59 website under Member Services tab, we now have a digital sign up for Area 59!!