

# AA History Through the Lens of the General Service Conference Advisory Actions

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This week we reviewed items from Advisory Actions Relevant to the Conference Agenda Committees year 1992 page 17 and Advisory Actions Concerning Conference Committees section beginning on page 194

## Workshop references and materials referenced:

- **Service Manual** ([https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/en\\_bm-31\\_3.pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/en_bm-31_3.pdf))
- **Concept 2 audio** <https://www.aa.org/twelve-concepts-concept-ii>
- **Concept's Checklist** [https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/assets/smf-91\\_en.pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/assets/smf-91_en.pdf)
- **General Service Conference Structure**  
[https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/smf-116\\_GeneralServiceConferenceStructure\\_EN\\_1121.pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/smf-116_GeneralServiceConferenceStructure_EN_1121.pdf)
- **Bill W's talk at the 1969 General Service Conference -**  
<https://www.aa.org/Bill-W-at-the-1969-General-Service-Conference>
- **List of General Service Conference Area Websites** <https://www.aa.org/list-of-general-service-conference-area-web-sites-uscanada>
- **Our Great Responsibility** - This is a compilation of Bill W's General Service Conference talks 1951 - 1970 <https://onlineliterature.aa.org/Our-Great-Responsibility>
- **General Service Advisory Actions:** <https://www.aa.org/m-39-advisory-actions>
- **The AA Group. . . Where It All Begins:** [https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-16\\_0624.pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-16_0624.pdf)
- **AA Grapevine Store – Language of the Heart - AA Co-Founder, Bill W., April 1959, “Leadership in AA: Ever a Vital Need” -** <https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/language-heart-softcover>
- **AA's public service announcements are on the aa.org website:** <https://www.aa.org/audio-public-service-announcement-downloads>
- **From the Service Manual: Public Service Announcements (PSAs):** A.A. intends PSAs to be widely shared. Areas and other local A.A. entities may post PSAs directly on their websites and PSAs can be viewed on aa.org. (For more information, see the “FAQ on A.A. Websites” and the A.A. Guidelines on the Internet available from G.S.O.)
- **AA at a Glance:** [https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/F-1\\_0624.pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/F-1_0624.pdf)
- **AA Fact Fie:** <https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/SM%20F-94%20AA%20Fact%20Sheet%20EN%200921.pdf>
- **AA Regional Map:** [https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/smf-118\\_RegionalMapUSCAN\\_EN\\_1121.pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/smf-118_RegionalMapUSCAN_EN_1121.pdf)

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## Service Manual Workshop references

- Chapters 6 - The Annual General Service Conference
  - Chapter 7 - Conference Committees
  - Charter 11 - A.A. World Services, Inc.
  - Appendix C - Charts: Structure of U.S./Canada General Service Conference
  - Appendix K - Conference Charter
    - Original Charter page 115
    - Current Charter page 119
  - Appx G - Third Legacy Procedure
  - Concept 2 - Service Manual pages C-6 to C-8.
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- Area Service Sharing Session on Inventory:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1\\_Rtsn5x6376P86EKuubRObr8oOnp9OPS/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_Rtsn5x6376P86EKuubRObr8oOnp9OPS/view?usp=sharing)
  - Michael B. and Penny P. – Modem To Modem A History of Online AA audio:  
<https://www.recoverytapers.org/product/michael-b-and-penny-p-mode-to-modem-a-history-of-online-aa/>
  - Service Manual Workshop series with Francine and Merri is at this link :  
<https://www.recoverytapers.org/product-category/alcoholics-anonymous/service-manual/>
  - Service Manual – www.AA.org – Francine W., Palm Desert, CA & Merri M., Des Moines, IA #12 :  
<https://www.recoverytapers.org/product/service-manual-www-aa-org-francine-w-palm-desert-ca-merri-m-des-moines-ia-12/>
  - Service Manual – AA Grapevine.org – Francine W., Palm Desert, CA & Merri M., Des Moines, IA #13:  
<https://www.recoverytapers.org/product/service-manual-aa-grapevine-org-francine-w-palm-desert-ca-merri-m-des-moines-ia-13/>
  - Previous Concept Workshop audios - <https://www.recoverytapers.org/product-category/alcoholics-anonymous/concept-workshops/>

## Questions in Chat

1. Does the Agenda Committee create the theme each year after reviewing the items submitted? Yes.  
Theme, Workshop & Presentation topics.
2. How do we gain access to background information for review? Background Material (BM) is not confidential within the Fellowship. The most recent BM is on the A67 Delegate's page (& other Areas). Please report any anonymity breaks in the BM to [conference@aa.org](mailto:conference@aa.org)

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**Have you ever thought about submitting an  
article, a photo, or a cartoon to the Grapevine?**

**Learning more about Grapevine offerings?**

**If so, join**

**Julia Dillon, GV Digital Engagement Editor**

**Friday, September 6, 2024 @**

**1pmPT / 3pmCT / 4pmET**



**Zoom info:**

**Meeting ID: 883 9506 7035**

**Passcode: 890124**

