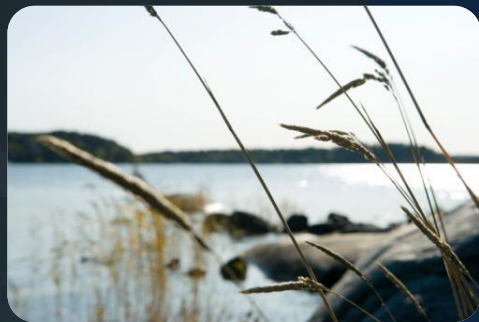


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# THE IMPORTANCE OF PARTICIPATION

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# WHAT IS IT?



# MYTHS AND MISCONCEPTIONS



Fact- 32% introduced to AA from treatment facility,  
12% introduced from courts  
59% introduced from counseling (spiritual or psychological)

## Myths

- Treatment Centers- some think treatment is enough. **CURE?**
- Sponsorship- How it works?
- Religion- too God oriented, Explain that AA is open even too atheist/agnostic members
- Court system may see it as religious cult
- Too white, Too old, Too male
- Self Support and Contributions

# MYTHS AND MISCONCEPTIONS

What does CPC about this?



- Inform Professionals through literature and conversations, presentations
- Explain the differences of religion and spirituality
- Share Experience, Strength and Hope
- Share are Principle of 12<sup>th</sup> step work...To Keep Us Sober

# HOW CAN YOU HELP CARRY THE MESSAGE?

Get involved!

Volunteer for convention booths, carrying the message to professionals who work with, or come in contact with alcoholics in their line of work.

Courts, MD's, Nurses, Social Workers, Probation, Psychologists, Treatment Centers

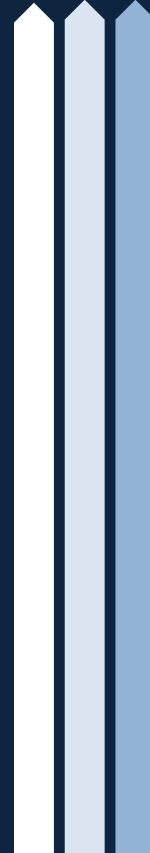


# EXPERIENCE

- Addiction Medicine Story
- The difference between reading about AA and hearing it from the members.
- Treatment Centers are going toward “Evidence Based Practice”
- Good news is that there is no contraindication to AA meetings

# CPC COMMITTEE

- Come join us!
- Expand your Program and Service commitments
- Dispel myths about your way of life





# ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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Thank you and “you will surely meet  
some of us as you trudge the Road of  
Happy Destiny.....”

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