

Sign-Up Form For Area 43 Bridging The Gap Treatment Volunteers

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. It is suggested that you read the A.A. pamphlet: "Bridging the Gap///Between Treatment and A.A. Through *Temporary* Contact Programs". **Remember that A.A. offers only sobriety.** It does not provide housing, food, clothing, jobs, money, welfare or social services.
2. Remember that you may be the first contact which the client has with A.A. In order to answer questions that may arise, you should be familiar with A.A.'s Steps, Traditions and Literature.
3. It is suggested that you have at least one year of continuous sobriety.
4. It is strongly suggested that men work with men and women with women.
5. It is suggested that you send the individual an A.A. meeting list. Make arrangements to meet them on the day of their release/discharge and attend a meeting with them. (A meeting on the very day of release is preferable.)
6. **DO NOT** use your personal address when corresponding unless it is a P.O. Box number. You are welcome to use the address given on the bottom of this form. Call the BTG coordinator for more information.
7. If you meet the client for the first time outside of an A.A. meeting, take another A.A. member with you, as is suggested for all 12th Step work. That member need not have one year of continuous sobriety.
8. Additional suggestions that you may want to do are:
 - Visit or talk with the alcoholic by phone before they leave the facility, if possible.
 - Provide them with A.A. conference approved literature. Show them how to use the meeting list. Point out meetings that you attend and explain the various meeting formats.
 - Take them to a variety of A.A. meetings once they get out.
 - Introduce them to as many A.A.'s as possible.
 - Call them.
 - Insure that they have a list of A.A. phone numbers. Encourage them to use them as a way to stay engaged with their recovery.
 - Talk with them about sponsorship. Share about your recovery and how AA helped you.
 - Bring them to Area Assemblies, functions and meetings. Someday, they may want to give it back!

After making the initial contact with the New AA please call back the coordinator let them know the bridge has successfully been made!!

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