

H&I Subcommittee Report- September 2024

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Hello, friends!

The H&I Subcommittee met on Sunday, 27-Sep-24 with a seven participants!

We attempted to host a commitment at the Cheshire County House of Corrections (CCHOC) men's D-Pod on Thursday, 12-Sep-24, but no one attended. We waited for 15 minutes and then visited K-Pod in hopes we could host a meeting there instead. Unfortunately, no one chose to participate in K-pod either, so we left after waiting for 10 minutes. This is the first time we have had no attendance at either pod. We discussed a few options to help us communicate with the inmates/staff regarding our presentation schedule and hope that this communication can help ensure the inmates and staff know when we will be there. We did, however, host a presentation on Tuesday, 24-Sep-24. There were three participants and we read 'Why Are We Here?' from the Basic Text. The attendees all shared and one of them expressed their excitement to have access to NA. Thank you to Les T. and Still Rich R. for their service!

We also held a presentation at the Women's Pod on 13-Sep-24. There were two attendees. We read from the Just For Today book and held some discussion. The participants were so enthused by the reading that they asked for their own Just For Today books and we were able to provide them. Thank you to Bobbi Jo M. and Fel B. for hosting the commitment!

We plan to host our October commitments on Thursday, 10-Oct-24 (D-Pod), Friday, 12-Oct-24 (Women's Pod) and on Tuesday, 22-Oct-24 (K-Pod).

We also had a successful orientation at Cheshire County House of Corrections on Wednesday, 25-Sep-24. There were three new participants and we hope to involve them in the presentations ahead pending their availability. Thank you to Sam F. for coordinating with the facility to help make the orientation happen!

During our meeting today, we discussed our next H&I Learning Day. We have set a tentative date for Saturday, February 15th. We will be hosting it at the Turning Point facility in White River Junction, Vt. We will create a flyer in the coming months to be shared at meetings.

Lastly, we held a thorough discussion today surrounding our previous two motions regarding the policy changes of the H&I Panel Leader position. We were able to revise the two motions and submitted them to the GMANA Area Secretary today. Thank you to Still Rich R. for his efforts towards revising the motions. We, as a committee, ask that you please bring these motions back to your groups to vote upon them during October.

As always, please continue to announce that the H&I Subcommittee is looking for support during your meetings! We have been gaining traction with our current commitment at CCHOC, but it is our goal to host commitments at other facilities throughout our Area, too. Please remember that addicts in need of hearing our life saving message could benefit from your involvement!

In Loving Service,

H&I Subcommittee

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