Hello;

DOC, Administrators, Caseworkers, Program directors,

From: Sierra Sage Region of NA (Narcotics Anonymous)

Hospitals + Institutions (H+I) Coordinator

We are sending information for (4) four separate programs that work together to help addicts/residents of your facilities decide if they have a problem with substance abuse. Then Help them learn to address and deal with those issues using our 12 steps and 12 Traditions while in your facilities.

1. **LIVING CLEAN BTW/IP**

This program is designed to introduce addicts/potential addicts to NA literature by having them reading our IP’s (Informational Pamphlets) #’s 22, welcome to NA, #7 Am I an addict, #2 The group, #11 Sponsorship, to decide for themselves if this program may be of interest to them. If they are interested they can write an essay about the IP’s they read and return them one at a time. If they are still interested then with the last essay they return, send a request to be a part of BTWSP (Behind the Walls Sponsorship Program) it is also known in other areas as (Sponsorship behind the walls). They would then send this to:

SIERRA SAGE H+I - ESSAY

PO Box 952

Dayton, NV 89403

1. **BTWSP/SBTW**

This program is for addicts that have had some experience in recovery and would like to take action to change their lives!! This program helps them work the 12 steps, 12 Traditions Anonymously thru the mail. We prefer that the above program is done first. After we receive their request, a packet is sent with guidelines, a commitment letter to sign and return. At this point the addict goes on the list to get a sponsor. Please be patient this process can take 3 or 4 months.

1. **LIVING CLEAN BTW/MEETING/GROUP**

This program is for facilities that are looking to develop their own NA meeting/Group. Enclosed you will find a copy of NA’s “Institutional Group Guide”. This guide will describe in detail what a group is, how it functions. It will tell you the difference between a meeting and a group. When a meeting decides to become a group it can open the door to more resources & Services. When a meeting (registers with NAWS/NA World Services, optional) registers as a group it can request to be a

member of an Area. The group then would request that a member of that Area’s H+I group to get cleared and become the groups GSR (group service representative). Therefore developing an outside

sponsor/representative from the local NA Area. It will take some persistence and time to develop this relationship with the Area. This is a new program in our Sierra Sage Region.

Please help us develop this program/service. It will help your facility and our NA H+I in our Region.

You may have to send the request to the Area more than once to show your commitment. Don’t forget to give a return address from the secretary of the meeting as a contact person.

Another thing we have encountered in developing programs for the DOC and other facilities is that it takes time to get cleared, sometimes up to 4 months or more for training and processing. Please be patient.

1. **FREE NA BASIC TEXT/REACHING OUT LITERATURE**

When an addict is incarcerated he or she can get NA literature at no cost.

First; NA has a quarterly pamphlet called “Reaching Out” it is written by addicts in recovery for addicts that are incarcerated and cannot go to regularly scheduled meetings but are still wanting recovery. On the back page of every issue is an order form with instructions on how to order and receive a free subscription to this publication at no cost. Enclosed you will find a few copies of the current “Reaching Out” along with duplicate order forms.

Second; they need to send a letter to NAWS PO Box 9999 Van Nuys, Ca. 91409-9999

Requesting a soft cover Basic Text. N.A.W.S. asks that you follow that first request with a second, it shows them that the requestor is serious/committed. NAWS then will send a soft cover Basic text.