**Public Information Pack for Meetings**

Dear CoDA Members,

We can help each of our meetings to flourish and support Tradition Five: “Each group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to other co-dependents who still suffer” by communicating the presence of our CoDA meetings to the people in our local areas.

This can be done through such things as:

**Sending basic information about our meeting to local newspapers**

Local newspaper will often print the information in the public notices section for free or for a small cost. Enclosed is a simple notice which can be sent to local newspapers. Just one volunteer is needed to call local papers to ask if this is possible and where the notice should be sent. If the meeting wishes a contact person and their phone number could also be published at the bottom of the notice.

**Placing posters or flyers on public noticeboards in our local area**

Some possible locations are: supermarkets, libraries, community centres, churches and other places of spiritual practice, hospitals, doctor’s offices, rehabilitation centres, anywhere you may find a community noticeboards. Enclosed are several A3 posters and a bundle of coloured A4 flyers. There is just enough to get you inspired and started. Intergroup would like meetings to be self-supporting in this, so there’s a white master copy enclosed which can be kept and photocopied as more posters and flyers are needed.

One person could volunteer to photocopy a much bigger bundle of posters and flyers, and the local areas could be divided up amongst volunteers to put them up. Many hands make light work.

There are two posters: one for the local meetings, which can be put up in the local area and a general CoDA one, with tear away tags on the bottom, which can be put up anywhere.

**Tradition eleven: “Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films”**

We do not advertise our meetings in the usual sense of advertising – using techniques which attempt to convince people that they should come to CoDA (such as promising particular results, having celebrity sponsors or authors promote us or by attempting to influence, manipulate or control people’s choices in any way).

We simple make available the basic information about what CoDA is and what meetings exits in the local area. We let people know we are here and then respect each person’s right to decide for themselves if CoDA is right for them.

In the spirit of fellowship and service,

CoDA Intergroup Committee

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