The Area Treatment Committee moves that – the Northern Illinois Area 20 Guidelines be changed as follows:

NIA 20 Service Handbook, version 3/28/15, page 66 “Treatment Facilities Chairperson Responsibilities –

Change bullet point two from:

Old: Develop and maintain, with the input and assistance of District Treatment Facilities Committees, lists of local and regional Treatment Facilities, Detox Centers, and Hospitals that provide treatment services in communities served by groups in NIA.

To: **Develop, maintain, and cooperate with District Treatment Facilities Committees, in reaching out to local and regional Treatment Facilities, Detox Centers, and Hospitals that provide treatment services in communities served by groups in NIA.**

We also move that we add a new bullet point that reads:

**Help District Treatment Facilities Committee in NIA 20 facilitate contact with local Treatment Facilities, that provide Alcohol related treatment services to ensure current literature, contact information and meeting schedules are available.**

We also move that the current third bullet point be change from:

Old: Facilitate “Bridging the Gap” efforts throughout the area.

To: **Provide assistance to the Area Bridging the Gap Committee’s efforts throughout the area as requested and when needed.**

The Area Treatment Committee is responsible for, among other things, to “be a resource and consultant to district committee chairs and other volunteers regarding service activities in their communities including the assessment of service opportunities and the development of projects” NIA 20 Service Handbook, version 3/28/15, pg. 62. We believe that it is the duty of the committee to enhance communication between treatment facilities and district committees

This motion would facilitate the responsibility between Area Treatment Committee and District Treatment Committee in providing information to NIA 20 Treatment Facilities on what AA is, what AA can and cannot do and as well as how to connect to the Area Bridging The Gap Committee and District Treatment Facilities Committees in their area.