Where exactly is the NIA website?

aa-nia.org

Most of the information on current or upcoming events, past motions, and contacts are on the NIA site.
Is AA for you?
This takes a person to the GSO site with 12 questions

This is the same as “Is AA for you?” in Spanish

The “Talk to an Alcoholic” section includes phone numbers for each district in NIA, along with Southern Illinois Area 21 and Chicago Area 19

This page also includes “Find a meeting” (also in Spanish), “Area 20 Contacts”, “District Contacts”, and “Events in NIA” which will be covered further as we go through the header menu
Let’s start with the navigation bar above

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Section: What is NIA?

The principal function of Northern Illinois service Area 20 is to be a forum for effective communication between the Groups and the General Service Conference through its Delegate. In addition to counseling its Delegate about the collective Group Conscience of the Fellowship in Northern Illinois, NIA will assist its Districts, Groups and members to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers in a broad variety of ways, including but not restricted to conducting workshops, sharing sessions and seminars in all fields of general service.

NIA Statement on Self-Support

Our Seventh Tradition states that “Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.” Northern Illinois Area 20 wants our fellowship to endure, and be ready for the still-suffering alcoholic to come. NIA makes this possible by taking care of its essential services such as website. The groups and districts in Area 20 fund this website thru their continued contributions and support. For additional information see the A.A.
NIA Statement on Singleness of Purpose
Our Third and Fifth Traditions state that “The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking.” “Each Group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers. And as a Fellowship we do one thing only: “- share our program of recovery.”

NIA Declaration of Unity
This we owe to A.A.’s future: To place our common welfare first and to keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come. These pages may include links to other sites. NIA is not responsible for the content on other sites. We will do our best to keep the links on this site up-to-date. Constructive criticism is always welcome. Please take some time to pass comments on to your GSR, DCM, or any NIA committee member.

Questions or concerns? Contact the webmaster
Meetings

NIA District Meeting Schedules
Click on District Meetings for their meeting schedule.

Phone numbers listed are 24/7 hotlines.

Find District by Town Name
District / Town Cross Reference

Map of NIA AA Districts

Special Needs – NIA Signed Meeting Schedule

District 10 Meetings
Western Lake County
847-362-1811
District 10 Web Site

District 11 Meetings
Algonquin, Crystal Lake, Cary, Harvard, Huntley, Marengo, McHenry, Spring Grove, Woodstock
815-455-3311
District 11 Web Site

District 12 Meetings
Eastern Lake County – Highland Park, Lake Forest, Waukegan, Zion
847-623-9660
District 12 Web Site
The next section is “Contacts”

NIA Contact Information

Click on the map for a larger view.
(Click a position title below to send an email to that person)

**Treasurer**
- Allen J
  - Northern Illinois Area Ltd.
  - PO Box 808
  - Streamwood, IL 60107-2971

**Registrar**
- Chris E

**Chairperson**
- Rob M

**Secretary**
- Kate D

**Delegate Panel 72**
- Chris D

**Alternate Delegate Panel 72**
- Erik L

**Alternate Chairperson**
- Dawn B

**Alternate Secretary**
- Sue M

**Alternate Treasurer**
- Jeff L

Committee Chairs:
The next section “Events”, will have the calendar section and the conference section. You can plan your year ahead by using this section.
The next section, “Committees”, will give you information on each NIA Committee by clicking on the name.

Committee pages
Accessibilities
Archives
Bridging the Gap
CONCEPTS Newsletter
Corrections
CPC
Delegate's page
Grapevine / La Viña
Literature
Public Information
Technical Committee
Treatment
Website
The next section is called “Anonymity on the Internet”
Anonymity on the Internet
Can I keep my anonymity on social media?
Can I keep my anonymity in email?
The answers are not simple, but here are some references from the General Service Office:
- Anonymity online service material
- Internet Guidelines
- Understanding Anonymity pamphlet
- 67th GSC Anonymity Workshop summary
The next section is called “Information”. It is... full of information.
The first link of that section is “Submitting event flyers”. This clarifies the guidelines of what can/cannot be put on the NIA site.

The next link is “Group change forms” With the exception of the contribution and DCM form, these forms should be filled out and given to your District Secretary, who will then move them on to the Area Registrar. These are extremely important for keeping your group information up to date.

Forms for Districts and AA groups
2022 Contribution Form for Groups – PDF format
The forms below should be used for any district or group changes including new GSRs and Alternate GSRs.
2022 DCM or Alternate DCM Change Form – fillable PDF
2022 New Group Information Form – fillable PDF
2022 Group Information Change Form – fillable PDF

Questions or concerns? Contact the webmaster
The next section is NIA Agendas, Cover Letters, Motions and reports. Pre-2021, there is an archive that is linked.

NIA Agendas, Cover Letters, Motions and Reports
Pre-2021 Reports and Minutes are archived at the link here.

2022 Summer Assembly on June 11, 2022 (at Kankakee Life Compass Church and Virtual)

Agenda
Alternate Chair Report
Delegate’s Complete Report (final)
Treasurer’s Report and Finance Committee Minutes
Profit and Loss
Balance Sheet
Contributions Report
2022 PPR
The next section is NIA forms, which are useful for Area Committee members and DCMs.

NIA Forms
- 2022 NIA Expense Reimbursement (.PDF)
- 2022 NIA Expense Reimbursement (.XLS)
- Primary Purpose Reimbursement Account Listing
- NIA Meeting Financial Summary (PDF)
- NIA Meeting Financial Summary (XLS)
- District Service Chair add/change form (docx)
- Current Mileage Reimbursement = $0.40 per mile
- Revised 2022-DCM_ALTDCM_Change_Form_Panel72
The next section is NIA Assembly Actions, it will show you the actions (such as Elections, Conference Bids, and Motions from 1972 to December 2021)
The next section is NIA Guidelines. In this section you will find the Service Manual, Planning Procedures, The Secretary Handbook, among other very useful information.

NIA Guidelines
Handbooks
Area 20 Service Manual (r. 12-2020)
Manual de servicio NIA (r. 12-2020)
NIA District Secretary Handbook
Other guidelines
Primary Purpose Financing
Financiamiento de propósito principal en español
Planning Procedures
Procedimientos de planificación en español
Procedures for Submitting Event Flyers
Website Policy and Guidelines
Política y directrices del sitio web en español
Accessibility Checklist for Meetings
Public Information, Guidelines for Non-AA talks
Guide Questions for Oral Histories
Service Manual Revision History
10-14-2017 Service Manual revision summary
The next section is GSC inventory. There is none currently, so there is no link. The next section after that is the NIA Inventory. We have one from 2011 and one from 2018

NIA Area Inventory
2018 Area 20 Inventory Questions
2018 Area 20 Inventory Summary
2018 Area 20 Inventory Slide Presentation
Area 20 Inventory Summary (Published 2011)
Area 20 Inventory Results (Published 2011)
The next section is Service Orientation Presentations, which you could use in your homegroup

Service Orientation Workshop Presentations
2017 Service orientation workshop
From Home Group to General Service (PowerPoint)
From Home Group to General Service (PDF)
Role of the GSR (PowerPoint)
Role of the GSR (PDF)
Service Committees (PowerPoint)
Service Committees (PDF)
Upside Down Triangle (PowerPoint)
Upside Down Triangle (PDF)
Why Service (PowerPoint)
Why Service (PDF)
Role of the GSR (older):
Role of the GSR in PowerPoint format
Role of the GSR in PDF format
Role of the GSR, PDF (2 slides per page)
Role of the GSR handout
Self-Support (older):
Self-Support in PowerPoint format
Self-Support in PDF format
Self-Support, PDF (2 slides per page)
Self-Support handout
The next section is the History of AA in Northern Illinois Area 20, with instructions on how to compile your group’s history, and guidelines for that:

- Explore the History of AA in Northern Illinois Area 20
- An AA History in Northern Illinois Are 20 (Complete Second Issue)
- Add your group’s history with the Area 20’s Group History Project
- Guidelines for gathering info for Area 20’s Group History Project
- Questions or concerns? Contact the webmaster
The next section is useful AA and Al-Anon Links

A.A. Related Links
Online Intergroup of AA
Chicago Area 19
Southern Illinois Area 21
Northern Indiana Area 22
Iowa Area 24
Southern Wisconsin Area 75
Traveling? Find local A.A. in other areas
Is Al-Anon For Me?
Al-Anon World Services
Northern Illinois Al-Anon Family Groups
Illinois State Conference of Young People in AA (ISCYPAA)
McHenry's Soberfest
MMAAC Convention
The AA Grapevine
Box 459
The Big Book Online
Questions or concerns? Contact the webmaster
The next section is copies of our Area Service Newsletter, “Concepts”.

The editions of Concepts on the site goes back to Winter of 2014, and there is a link to click on to request older issues.
The Sidebar, “NIA Tools and Resources

These will take you to the same pages we have gone over on the top bar.

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The next section is other AA links you might find helpful

Other AA Tools and Resources

- **AA World Service Videos**
  - 2019 – 69th GSC Final Report
  - 2020 – 70th GSC Agenda
  - General Service Office (GSO)
  - Grapevine and La Viña
  - The Birthday Plan
  - GSO/GSB Job Openings
  - Information and links
I hope that this presentation was helpful for you and that you took away something new. Thank you very much for listening. It’s been my pleasure to meet with and serve you. Never hesitate to reach out to me if I can be of any help. You can reach me through the site in the “Contacts” link, or by emailing me at:
alt-chair@aa-nia.org

In Service,

Dawn B.
NIA 20 Panel 72 Alternate Chair