



## Greater New York Region Of Narcotics Anonymous

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Further to our previous memo about how groups in our Region are responding to the COVID-19 (coronavirus), we have further information to pass on regarding in person group meetings, potential group insurance issues and Member direct contribution options.

Governor Cuomo has announced a "New York State on PAUSE" executive order, a 10-point policy to assure uniform safety for everyone that appears to not permit holding in person NA meetings. The Order goes into effect on Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8 pm and requires, among other things:

1. Non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason are canceled or postponed at this time;
2. Any concentration of individuals outside their home must be limited to workers providing essential services and social distancing should be practiced;
3. When in public individuals must practice social distancing of at least six feet from others;
4. Sick individuals should not leave their home unless to receive medical care and only after a telehealth visit to determine if leaving the home is in the best interest of their health;
5. Young people should also practice social distancing and avoid contact with vulnerable populations.

As an alternative Meeting option, Members can click on the following link to access online meeting information <https://newyorkna.org/covid-19-info/>

On the insurance front, we cannot assure groups that group insurance policies will provide coverage for alternative meeting places such as public parks etc. Members may be proceeding at their own risk in these situations.

Finally, in light of meeting restrictions **and its effect on fund flow**, we are requesting that interested Members provide contributions that would normally come through their Areas directly to the Greater New York Region of NA by clicking on the following link:

<https://newyorkna.org/products/donate/>