

## Reopening our Meetings Town Hall Group Discussion Questions

Here's a list of excellent questions to begin our discussion.

1. Has your home group scheduled a group conscience or business meeting to consider resuming face-to-face meetings?
2. Is your group familiar with the latest CDC, state, and local regulations concerning large group meetings? Where can these regulations be found? How can these regulations be communicated to the group?
3. Has your group considered how its actions and decisions could affect other groups or could affect AA as a whole?
4. Will your group's regular meeting place limit capacity while following government mandates regarding physical distancing? If not, how will your group meet the needs of alcoholics and also avoid controversy?
5. Will your home group consider the use of online or call-in meetings during live, face-to-face meetings and why would this option be considered? If online or call-in meetings are utilized during a live, face-to-face meeting, will this raise issues of anonymity?
6. Concerning COVID-19, should our group be concerned with any legal liability issues? If so, what might these be?
7. Will hospitality service (food, coffee, etc.) continue? If so, what safety measures could your group adopt?
8. Will your group supply hand sanitizer? If not, how will your group conduct meetings safely?
9. Will your group continue to share literature between members during in-person meetings?
10. Assuming face masks will be required, will your group supply a mask for those without one? Will the greeter's role be expanded to offer masks? Will there be a need to create new group service commitments regarding safety? How will overflow be handled by the group once maximum room capacity is reached? Will a member be asked to leave if they do not wear a mask — And how can this be handled lovingly?
11. How will your group practice Tradition 7? Has your group considered alternatives to passing a physical basket? If so, how can the basket be passed safely?
12. How has your group considered following government regulations in light of practicing the Traditions—specifically Traditions 4, 5, 10, and 11?
13. Has your group considered in the event a member contracts COVID-19 and names your group as a place they've visited, that health officials may need to do contact tracing for everyone at the meeting?

Some of these questions were raised by South East New York Area's District 618 and Hawaii Area 17 and Oahu Intergroup at recent meetings on reopening our meetings and we use them here with their thanks.