



## Confirmation - Proposed Agenda Item (PAI) Submission Form for the 2026 General Service Conference (GSC)

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Diana L. Conference Coordinator

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**Submit a clear and concisely worded motion.**

The book DAILY REFLECTIONS on March 8th: The AA members response to the thought of the day uses the word ADDICTION. This word should be changed to the word ALCOHOLISM.

**What problem does this proposed item address?**

That our language across all platforms is consistent with our primary purpose (TRADITION 5), and does not take us away from the spirit of TRADITION 10.

**What level of group conscience, if any, discussed the proposed agenda item? Make it clear who is submitting the item (an individual, group, district, area, etc.).**

Connect The Dots Group,  
District 107 of Area 49 Assembly

**Provide background information that describes and supports the reasoning for the proposal. List background material(s) included with the proposal:**

TWELVE STEPS AND TWELVE TRADITIONS, AA COMES OF AGE, Pamphlet P-35 PROBLEMS OTHER THAN ALCOHOL & LANGUAGE OF THE HEART.

**What are the intended/expected outcomes if this**

To minimize the chance of muddying the waters of THE MESSAGE in our literature. Our language should be as consistent as possible, to better understand each other, for the purpose of identification.

**proposed item is approved?**

**Provide a primary contact for the submission.**

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**Final Comments**

This will keep the message of ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS clear that we carry doing our 12th STEP work.  
I remember this reading being discussed in our home group's DAILY REFLECTIONS meeting which we have each week. That addiction word significantly took a good part of the meeting off track from our primary purpose. We should do what we can to minimize this effect by using language in our literature that adheres to, and is consistent with, our primary purpose, and not bring in outside issues.  
And finally, changing the word addiction to the word alcoholism does not change the meaning / theme the AA members shared in this reading.

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