



# **Narcotics Anonymous<sup>®</sup>**

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## **Australian Regional Service Committee**

This letter is to formally introduce Narcotics Anonymous to your service and to ask for consideration in regards to venue hire.

NA is a fellowship of men and women who meet regularly to share their common experiences of addiction and recovery from addiction. We are fully self-supporting through our own contributions, and do not seek or accept outside contributions from organisations or governments. However, consideration is sought regarding the following issues:

1. Cost for venue hire.
2. Signatures on legal documentation for leasing venues.

**1. Costs:** Our financial viability is dependent on the number of members attending each meeting and the personal financial situation of our members can vary substantially. Newly opened meetings can take time to become established and build up regular attendance numbers, thus taking longer to become self-supporting.

As a result of these and other factors, our NA Groups can undergo financial fluctuation and can sometimes struggle to remain viable. Therefore, **we ask that you consider a minimum cost for venue hire**, recognizing the proven value of Narcotics Anonymous as a community resource. If a bond is required, then this is something that needs to be discussed and the above factors be taken into consideration.

**2. Signing documentation for leasing arrangements of venues:** The members of Narcotics Anonymous who negotiate the terms of hiring a venue from your organisation are not in a position to sign legal documents such as waivers on behalf of Narcotics Anonymous.

Narcotics Anonymous holds its own public liability insurance. A copy of the Certificate of Currency will be tendered to all venue hirers, with the annual update being provided.

We thank you for your consideration,

Australian Regional Service Committee, Narcotics Anonymous

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