

WINTER 2018

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

The following is a list of dates for ***Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)*** Meetings in Massachusetts which are accessible to the Deaf/Hard of Hearing community. If you are, or know someone who is, looking for an accessible meeting, please feel free to pass this list along. Anyone who wants to be added to this email can contact MCDHH 617-740-1600 (V) or 617-326-7546 (VP) and I will include them anonymously on future emails as well.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking.

Please Note: Meetings marked with a (C) are considered "closed" therefore are: "for A.A. members only, or for those who have a drinking problem and 'have a desire to stop drinking.'"

Otherwise, meetings listed here are considered "open" and therefore are: open for everyone including friends and families/acquaintances to provide support.

Boston/Metro:

Currently there are no AA meetings with interpreters in the Boston/Metro Area.
Please contact MCDHH if you wish to request a sign language interpreter

Northeast:

***Wednesdays, 6:15-7:15 PM, Merrimack College, Chapel, RT 125, North Andover MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters***

***Fridays, 8-9:30 PM, South Church, 41 Central Street, Andover MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters***

Southeast:

***Wednesdays, 7:30 PM, Seekonk Congregational Church, 600 Fall River Avenue, Seekonk MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters***

***Thursdays, 6:00 PM, Bourne Veteran's Memorial Community Center, 239 Main St, Buzzards Bay (WOMEN'S Meeting)
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters***

***Fridays, 8:00 PM, Congregationalist Church, 17 West Street, Mansfield MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters***

Central:

***Mondays, 8-9:30 PM, Unity Church, Central St. Winchendon, MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters***

West:

Sundays, 1:00 PM, St. Andrew's Church 335 Longmeadow Street, Longmeadow MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

Mondays, 12 PM, George B. Crane Memorial Center, 81 Linden Street, Pittsfield MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

Wednesdays, 7:30 PM, Our Lady of the Lake Church, 224 Sheep Pasture Road, Southwick MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

Fridays, 7:30 AM, 2nd Congregational Church, Maple and Appleton Streets, Holyoke MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

Fridays, 7:00 PM, South Congregational Church, 110 South Street, Pittsfield MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

Fridays, 8:00 PM, Claire Teague Senior Center, Rte 7 South, Great Barrington, MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

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AL-ANON

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The primary purpose of Al-Anon is to help families and friends of alcoholics. Al-Anon's program of recovery is based on the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions as adapted from Alcoholics Anonymous (AA).

All Al-Anon Family Group meetings welcome anyone who believes their life has been affected by someone else's drinking, either today or in the past. An "open" Al-Anon meeting welcomes members and prospective members and allows attendance by people who are not families and friends of alcoholics but who are interested in learning about Al-Anon Family Groups., Al-Anon group meetings are "closed," **(C)**, are limited to members and prospective members, giving them the freedom to share and listen to the experience, strength, and hope of one another on a confidential and anonymous basis.

Boston/Metro:

Currently there are no Al-Anon meetings with Sign Language interpreters in the Boston/Metro Area. Please contact MCDHH if you wish to request a sign language interpreter

Central:

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Northeast:

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Southeast:

Thursdays, 5:00 PM, Bourne Veteran's Memorial Community Center, 239 Main St, Buzzards Bay
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

West:

Tuesdays, 6:00 PM, Holyoke Medical Center, 575 Beech St, Annex Building, Holyoke MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

Fridays, 6:00 PM, Shriner's Hospital for Children, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA
ON-GOING Weekly Interpreters

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NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

The following is a list of dates for NA (***Narcotics Anonymous***) meetings in Massachusetts which are accessible to the Deaf/Hard of Hearing community. If you are, or know someone who is, looking for an accessible meeting, please feel free to pass this list along. Anyone who wants to be added to this email can contact me and I will include them anonymously on future emails as well.

Narcotics Anonymous is a worldwide fellowship of recovering addicts whose primary purpose is to help addicts stop using drugs by utilizing a twelve-step approach. NA is not a religious organization and does not require any particular belief system. It teaches basic spiritual principles such as honesty, open-mindedness, and willingness, to name a few. The specific practical application of these principles is determined by the individual member. NA members learn from one another how to live drug-free and recover from the effects of addiction.

Please Note:

Meetings marked with a (C) are considered "closed" therefore are: "For Addicts or those who think they have drug problem only" Otherwise, meetings listed here are considered "open" and therefore are: open for everyone including friends and families/acquaintances to provide support.

*Currently there are **no consistent** NA meetings in Massachusetts with Sign Language interpreters. Please contact MCDHH for updates or if you wish to request a sign language interpreter*

UPCOMING EVENTS

*These events will have ASL interpreters and CART
(Communication Access Realtime Translation) Services available
for those who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, or may have any other type of hearing loss.*

*If you are planning to attend either of these events, **PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE**
Please identify your need for Sign Language Interpreters or CART Services.*

February 16-19, 2018: Southeastern Massachusetts Round-Up
Holiday Inn Mansfield, Mansfield, MA
<http://www.semru.org/home.html>

April 20-22, 2018: 42nd Massachusetts Al-Anon/Alateen Convention
Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center, Sturbridge, MA
<http://ma-al-anon-alateen.org/news-and-events/afgconvention/>

