1		Laurel Mt Highlands Area of Narcotics Anonymous
2		Approved - 4-20-2024
3		PUBLIC RELATIONS / WEBSITE SUBCOMMITTEE GUIDELINES
4 5 6	I.	DEFINITION:
7 8 9		The Laurel Mt Highlands Area of Narcotics Anonymous Public Relations/Website Subcommittee is made up of volunteer members from Narcotics Anonymous.
) 10 11	II.	PURPOSE:
12 13 14 15 16 17		LMHANA Public Relations/Website Subcommittee's purpose is to inform the public that N.A. exists & offers recovery from the disease of addiction. LMHANA PR/WEB offers information about what N.A. is, and how & where to find N.A. meetings. All of LMHANA PR/WEB activities will be carried out in accordance with the NA World Service Guide book "A Guide to Public Relations", 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous and the 12 Concepts of N.A. Service.
18 19	III.	FUNCTION & RESPONSIBILITIES:
20	1.	This PR/Website subcommittee is directly responsible to LMHANA.
21 22	2.	To open and maintain the lines of communication between N.A. & the public and between the area, regional, and world levels of NAWS.
22 23 24 25	3.	To respond to all request for information in a timely & effective manner, & to see that those request are handled at the appropriate level of service in accordance with LMHANA PR/website Contingency Plan.
23 26	4.	To prepare & provide introductory literature packets as the PR/WEB committee deems necessary.
28	5.	To coordinate three PR Learning Day / Workshops annually.
29 30 31	6.	To maintain Task Force Committees to work on specific projects such as, but not limited to the following; Informational Packet Mailing, Media PSA's, Posters, Billboards, Health Fairs, and Public Presentations.
32 33 34 35	7.	May at the discretion of the PR/WEB committee members, agree to be responsible for or assist with, any project not listed, which falls within the boundaries of Public Relations / Website, as determined by these guidelines, LMHANA, & the Narcotics Anonymous PR/WEB hand books " A GUIDE TO PUBLIC RELATIONS." And other NAWS Handbooks on Internet Websites etc.
36 37	8.	A Public Relations/Website Trusted Servant shall always keep in mind that he/she may be seen as a representative of Narcotics Anonymous and should conduct himself/herself in a responsible manner.
39 40	9.	Will have the date and month of print on all meeting lists.
41 42	IV.	PR/WEB SUBCOMMITTEE MONTHLY SERVICE MEETING:
43 44 45		The LMHANA Public Relations/Website Subcommittee will meet regularly on the third Saturday of each month prior to the monthly LMHANA meeting, which shall be well publicized within the local N.A. fellowship, encouraging all N.A. members to attend.

47	V.	PR/WEB FUNDING:				
48 49		This PR/WEB subcommittee will maintain a separate monthly budget of \$50.00 for PR work, and the website expenses payed in accordance with LMHANA ASC guidelines.				
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52	VI.	PR/WEB MEMBERSHIP				
53		Members of the LMHANA PR/WEB subcommittee will be defined according to one or more of				
54 55		the following; PR Chairperson, PR Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Task Force Coordinator, Task Force Member, Website Chair, Website Vice Chair & any other concerned member of Narcotics Anonymous as a whole.				
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57	1.	Trusted Servants of this PR/WEB subcommittee shall have the equal right of input & vote on				
58		decisions made by this PR/WEB sub-committee with the exception of the PR Chairperson who				
59		carries a vote only in the case of a tie vote.				
60	2.	Any other N.A. member wishing to vote shall have attended the previous LMHANA PR/WEB				
61		subcommittee meeting.				
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63	VII.	ELECTIONS OF TRUSTED SERVANTS:				
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65	1.	Trusted Servants of this PR/WEB subcommittee are as follows:				
66		(a) PR Chair (c) Secretary (e) Website Chair				
67		(b) PR Vice Chair (d) Task Force Coordinator. (f) Website Vice Chair				
68	2.	PR Chairperson & Web Site Chairperson: shall be elected in accordance of LMHANA ASC				
69		guidelines, and are accountable and subject to LMHANA guidelines.				
70	3.	Regardless of when Trusted Servants are elected all positions are open to nomination in				
71		January, except the PR Chairperson & Website Chair who is nominated and elected by LMHANA.				
72	4.	Vice Chairperson, Website Vice Chair, Secretary, & Task Force Coordinators: shall be elected in January by this PR/WEB subcommittee.				
73	5.	No Trusted Servant shall be eligible to serve more than 2 terms consecutively in the same				
74		position.				
75	6.	All Trusted Servants of LMHANA PR/WEB shall:				
76		(a) Attend at least one PR Learning Day/Workshop,				
77		(b) Have a N.A. home group.				
78		(c) Have a Sponsor.				
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82	1 Vot	ing members of the LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee consists of the PR Chair, Website Chair, PR				
83		Vice Chair, Website Vice Chair PR Secretary, PR Taskforce Coor. and members who have attended the				
84		revious PR/Web subcommittee meeting.				
85	·	Each shall have one (1) vote.				
86		All officers are elected for a term of one (1) year, and will be eligible for a second term of one (1) year,				
87		followed by one (1) year ineligibility for that position.				
88	4. Vot	ing privileges are automatically lost upon loss of clean time or by missing two consecutive meetings.				
	IX.	REMOVAL OF TRUSTED SERVANTS:				
	1.	All Trusted Servants shall attend the monthly LMHANA PR/WEB sub-committee meetings,				
		three absences constitutes a resignation of PR/WEB commitment.				
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- Relapse constitutes automatic removal from LMHANA PR/WEB sub-committee. Any PR/WEB subcommittee member may be removed from service by a two-thirds majority vote of this PR/WEB subcommittee, except the PR/WEB Chairperson who can only be removed by ASC 3.

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94		with and accountable to LMHANA guidelines.					
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99		2. One year previous involvement in Public Relations/Website .					
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103		this LMHANA PR/WEB subcommittee.					
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105		Duties:					
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108		1. Coordinates all LMHANA PR/WEB subcommittee business.					
109		2. Prepares the monthly subcommittee agenda, bringing before the subcommittee					
110		matters they should act upon.					
111		3. To make regular monthly reports to LMHANA on the status of area PR/WEB projects					
112		and other services, Regional PR/WEB business meeting, or any other responsibility of					
113		this PR/WEB subcommittee.					
114		4. To rigorously maintain PR/WEB subcommittee archives that are to be given to the next					
115		PR/WEB Chairperson.					
116		5. To establish and maintain contact between this PR/WEB sub-committee and other PR/WEB					
117 118		subcommittees on a Area, Regional and NAWSTo attend Regional PR/WEB subcommittee business meetings.					
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122	В.	PR Vice Chair:					
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124		Elected by majority vote of this PR/WEB subcommittee for a one year term					
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126		Qualifications;					
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128		1. Suggested minimum one year continuous abstinence.					
129		2. Willingness to give the time and resources necessary.					
130		3. A working knowledge of the 12, 12 & 12 of N.A.					
131		4. A working knowledge of LMHANA guidelines & policy.					
132		5. Six months previous PR/WEB experience or previous service experience at any level.					

133	PR Vice Chair continued:			
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135		Duties:		
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137		1.	To take an active part in the direction of this PR/WEB subcommittee, working closely	
138			with the Chairperson, assisting with organizational duties.	
139		2.	In the absence of the PR/WEB Chairperson will chair the PR/WEB subcommittee business	
140			meeting.	
141		3.	In the event of the inability of the PR/WEB Chairperson to perform or upon the	
142			resignation of the PR/WEB Chairperson, the PR/WEB Vice Chairperson will receive an	
143			automatic nomination for PR/WEB Chairperson in accordance with LMHANA	
144			guidelines.	
145		4.	To act as a Lead Task Force Coordinator and assist the PR/WEB subcommittee in any	
146		5.	way possible. Suggested attendance at the Regional PR/WEB subcommittee business meeting and	
147 148		5.	LMHANA business meeting.	
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155		Qualific	rations	
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157		1.	Suggested Nine months continuous abstinence.	
158		2.	Willingness and desire to serve.	
159		3.	Willingness to give the time and resources necessary.	
160		4.	A working knowledge of the 12, 12 & 12 of N.A.	
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162		Duties:		
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164		1.	To keep a complete record of minutes of every regular, and special PR/WEB	
165			subcommittee meeting.	
166		2.	To maintain minutes and give them to the PR/WEB Chairperson no later than one week	
167			following each monthly PR/WEB subcommittee meeting.	
168		3.	To keep an accurate archives of minutes and make them available to any N.A.	
169			member upon request.	
170		4.	To keep a continuing roster of monthly attendance at the LMHANA PR/WEB	
171			subcommittee meeting.	
172		5.	Assist This PR/WEB subcommittee in developing or creating an informational database	
173			for use in LMHANA PR/WEB efforts.	
174		6.	Assist This PR/WEB subcommittee with any typing needed for correspondence used in	
175			LMHANA PR/WEB efforts.	
176		7.	Keeps a record of all PR/WEB subcommittee members' names, phone numbers, and	
177			addresses.	
178		8.	Maintains all necessary stationary supplies needed.	
179		9.	Keeps in close contact with the PR/WEB Chairpersons.	

181 D. PR TASK FORCE COORDINATOR

Elected	Elected by majority vote of this PR/WEB subcommittee for a one year term			
184	Qualification	ons:		
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186	1.	Suggested minimum of one year continuous abstinence.		
187	2.	Willingness and the desire to serve.		
188	3.	Willingness to give the time and resources necessary.		
189	4.	Six months previous PR/WEB experience or previous service experience at any level.		
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191	Duties:			
192	1.	To coordinate the efforts of their Task Force committee		
193	2.	Act as a liaison between their Task Force committee and this PR/WEB subcommittee.		
194	3.	Shall keep in close contact and work with the PR/WEB Chairperson, Vice Chairperson,		
195		and Secretary.		
196	4.	Shall make a written monthly report on the progress of any current PR/WEB project.		
197	5.	Shall make available to the secretary all accumulated data pertaining to any current		
198		PR/WEB projects		
199	6.	Shall appoint needed Task Force Members, to be reported to and approved by this		
200		PR/WEB subcommittee.		
201	7.	Should make an effort for a suggested replacement for Task Force Coordinator near		
202		the end of their commitment.		
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XI - LMHANA Public Relations - Website Guidelines

4 A. Definition

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- 5 The LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee is part of the Public Relations Subcommittee of the Laurel Mt. Highlands Area of Narcotics Anonymous.
- 6 The LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee is comprised of elected trusted servants and any
- 7 interested NA members who have the desire and willingness to be of service consistent with the Twelve Steps
- 8 of NA, the Twelve Traditions of NA, Twelve Concepts of Service of NA, and these guidelines.

9 **B. Purpose**

- 10 1. To carry the message of Narcotics Anonymous to those within The Laurel Mt. Highlands Area of
- 11 Narcotics Anonymous as well as those outside of the area.
- 12 2. To provide general information about Narcotics Anonymous, what we do, who we are, and what we are allabout.
- 14 3. To provide information about NA meetings, NA Activities, NA Public Information and other NA
- 15 subcommittees within the Laurel Mt. Highlands Area of Narcotics Anonymous.
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- 18 **C. Name:**
- 19 1. The name of the group of trusted servants responsible for publishing the LMHANA Website is the Laurel

- 20 Mt. Highlands Area of Narcotics Anonymous PR/Website Subcommittee.
- 21 2. The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the site is <u>http://www.lmhana.com</u>
- 22 3. The LMHANA PR/Web members are accountable to the NA fellowship throughout the Laurel Mt.
- 23 Highlands Area of Narcotics Anonymous Service Committee through its work group leader, the "Website Chair"
- 24 4. The PR Chair & Website Chair is the point of accountability and responsibility for the Laurel Mt. Highlands Area
- 25 of Narcotics Anonymous for the web site.

26 D. Operational Guidelines and Policies:

- 27 1. External hyperlinks will be only to official NA Websites. THE LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee will
- evaluate these PR/Websites for upholding the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of Service before making a
- 29 Hyperlink to that site.
- 30 2. Meeting directory pages should be checked for updates at least every 30-45 days. These pages will
 31 contain only regularly scheduled meetings hosted by groups belonging the LMHANA.
- 32 3. A single point of contact for each Area Service Subcommittee is established for the purpose of
- communications to the Web Page Work Group. This communications liaison is utilized for the purpose of
 updating information on the web site.
- 4. Registration for the Area Service Subcommittee events will be done directly with those Subcommittees.
- 36 5. Each Area Service Subcommittee, LMHANA groups, or NA members may request to post information
- 37 concerning local area activities or events, meeting minutes or other NA related information, excluding
- 4 personal recovery communications.
- 5 6. Newsletters or other similar content concerning personal recovery are not posted on the PR/Website since the site
- 6 is open to the public's scrutiny; opinions presented may confuse readers as being the opinion of NA as a whole.
- 7 7. Images of any identifiable person, whether an NA member or not, are never used.
- 8 8. Sales of merchandise are not done on the PR/Website
- 9 9. Requests for literature purchases will be referred to Narcotics Anonymous World Services or the
 TriState Regional Service Office.

11 E. Privacy Policy:

Our Twelfth Tradition states, "Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us
 to place principles before personalities."

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- 15 2. Cookies: We believe in supporting the spirit of our tradition of personal anonymity on the Internet by stating
- 16 clearly that we do not employ any technical means to track or identify any visitor to this PR/Website. You
- 17 may take this promise of anonymity for granted as an NA member and wonder why we need to bring this

- 18 issue up. We do so because of our experience with a few NA related PR/Websites that use "cookies" to track
- 19 your usage of their PR/Websites. Even more objectionable is the use of cookies by outside organizations on
- 20 these NA PR/Websites. For further information on "cookies", consult your Internet browser's help utility or
- 21 other Internet resource.
- 22 3. Communications: Any communication submitted to www.lmhana.com will be treated with confidentiality and
- anonymity in mind. We will delete all communications received on a regular basis. We do not guarantee total
- 24 anonymity in all circumstances. We suggest that the senders of email or feedback forms take their own
- 25 precautions if they desire to remain anonymous.
- 26 4. All communications considered to be official NA business require some level of identification for the purposes
- of responding to those communications. All efforts will be made to pass on communications in a timely manner
- to a responsible trusted servant.
- 29 5. To ensure privacy and anonymity, we will not publish names, photographs, phone numbers, e-mail addresses,
- 30 or street addresses of individual members. We will publish phone numbers and addresses of Hotlines, NA
- 31 Service Offices, and meeting places that are not in a member's home.

32 F. Responsibilities of the LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee

- 33 1. To operate under the principles of the 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, and, 12 Concepts of Service of
- 34 Narcotics Anonymous while carrying the message of Narcotics Anonymous.
- 35 2. To provide current up to date information concerning meeting directory changes, current activities,
- 36 current email and important announcements within The Laurel Mt. Highlands Area of Narcotics
- Anonymous as well as NA as a whole.
- 38 3. To maintain communication with the LMHANA Area Service Committee and the TriState Regional Web
 39 Site Committee and provide representation at both monthly meetings of each.
- 4. To maintain basic operations of the LMHANA Website such as uptime, email transmission, bulletin board,
 posting, and general maintenance.
- 5. To assist other LMHANA service Subcommittees in maintaining a presence on the World Wide Web via the
 LMHANA PR/Website. 6. To respond to all Website issues and inquiries in a timely manner.
- 7. The LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee is responsible for investigating and choosing a vendor to host the
 LMHANA Website. Final responsibility rests with the LMHANA Area Service Committee for distribution of funds.
- 8. The LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee is responsible for the procurement of LMHANA Website domain
 (www.lmhana.com) registration, maintenance, and renewal of such domain.
- 9 9. The LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee is responsible for the security of all sensitive data such as
 usernames, passwords, contact information and technical support information.
- 11 10. Costs for web hosting, domain registration, and associated publishing software are the responsibility of the
- 12 LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee. Costs for Internet access by members of the LMHANA PR/Website 13 Subcommittee are not included.

14 G. LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee Membership

15 1. Membership of the LMHANA Web Subcommittee consists of the PR Chair, Website Chair, PR Vice Chair

- 16 Website Vice-Chair, and the various PR/Website Subcommittee members who have the willingness to serve
- 17 and fulfill our purpose.

18 I. Qualifications and Responsibilities of LMHANA Website Chair

- Elected by majority vote of GSRs present at LMHANA for a one year term in accordance with and accountable
 to LMHANA guidelines.
- 21 2. Suggest 2 years clean time (1 year required) and 6 months PI or PR/Website experience
- 22 3. Minimum of 6 months activity at the group or area level of service
- 23 4. Sets the agenda and mediates all meetings of the LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee
- 24 5. The Website Chair will submit a written report on behalf of the LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee at
- each PR/Web and LMHANA ASC meeting. This report communicates all financial, technical, and
 correspondence related to
- the operation of the site. The Website chair also communicates, makes motions, and votes on behalf
- 28 of LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee.
- 29 6. The Website Chair is responsible for orientating the new chair for transitional period of 2 months.
- 7. The Website Chair is responsible for the procurement of domain registration, maintenance andrenewal of such registration.
- 8. The Website Chair is responsible for the security of all sensitive data such as usernames, passwords,
 contact information and technical support information.
- 9. The Website Chair is responsible for all technical operations, maintenance, monthly meeting
 directory updates, and general upkeep of the site.
- 36 10. The PR/Website Chair is responsible for downloading and distributing email and PR/Website feedback
- 37 communications. Emails will be distributed to each area service Subcommittee's point of responsibility.
- 38 11. Email addresses will be provided for all area service Subcommittees and other trusted servants
- as needed. The Website Chair will distribute all email received through the one POP mail
- 40 account established for the domain <u>www.lmhana.com.</u>
- 41 12. Personal email addresses are not to be used on the LMHANA web site so that official NA
- 42 communications are processed properly and appropriately. It is up to the trusted servant
- 43 whether or not to use their own personal email to reply to communications or have the PR/Website
- 44 chair relay emails through <u>www.lmhana.com</u> domain for such replies.
- 45 13. Trusted servants and or service Subcommittees receiving communications relayed from the
- 46 Website Chair are responsible for acknowledging the communication and informing the web
- 47 servant of the disposition of the communication.
- 48 14. The LMHANA Area Service Committee meeting minutes will be posted on the LMHANA
- 49 Website for downloading and review by any fellowship member, as they become available.
- 15. The PR/Website Chair is responsible for back up of all PR/Website files by way of CD, floppy disk and
 written reports.
- 52 J. Qualifications and Responsibilities of the LMHANA PR/Website Vice-Chair
- 53 1. Elected by the LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee
- 54 2. Minimum of 6 months clean time and 3 months PI or PR/Website experience
- 55 3. Minimum of at least one (1) year experience in Internet communications and is proficient in current
- 56 web technology.

- 57 4. Minimum of 3 months experience at the area or group level of service.
- 58 5. Willingness to assist the PR/Website Chair with all assigned duties and responsibilities, including,
- 59 but not limited to those listed under "Qualifications and Responsibilities of LMHANA Website Chair"

107 L. IN THE EVENT:

- 108 In the event that an issue comes up that is not addressed in our LMHANA PR/Website guidelines,
- 109 we will use the policy from the current NAWS Guide to PR/Website Handbooks.

110 M. Guideline Amendments

- 111 1. The LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee Guidelines will be reviewed annually and open for revision.
- 112 2. Any revisions or amendments of the LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee Guidelines
- require a 2/3 majority of voting Subcommittee members and the approval of the LMHANA ASC.
- 114 3. Any change to the LMHANA Area Service Guidelines that affect the LMHANA PR/Website Subcommittee Guidelines will immediately be adhered to.

Add Amendments