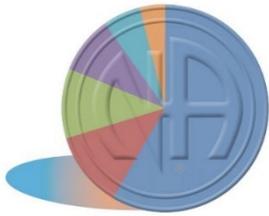


(ASAM), National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADAP), the International Society of Addiction Medicine (ISAM), and the International Federation of Non-Governmental Organizations.

For a complete list of professional events we attended, please see the travel summary on page 92

2015 Membership Survey



We will also be highlighting the 2015 Membership Survey in the WSC PR session. We received a total of 22,803 responses, which is 6,053 more responses than the 2013 survey, and the most responses that we have ever received for our Membership Survey. We received 1,653 responses from surveys distributed at WCNA 36, and 21,150 responses via online form, email, post, and fax. Comparatively, in 2013 we received 7,082 responses at WCNA 35 and 9,663 via online form, email, post, and fax. We thank members who took the time to complete the survey and ask everyone to encourage NA friends, partners, and sponsees to participate in the 2018 survey.

We noticed that, although in NA we believe we can only keep what we have by giving it away, 85% of respondents have a sponsor while only 58% said they sponsor others. Forty-six percent cited treatment/counseling agency as the

greatest influence to attend their first NA meeting. This reinforces the importance of PR committees' work informing agencies and professionals who can refer addicts to NA. Opiates continue to be the "main drug used" and illustrated a 3% increase from 2013, which seems to mirror the trend of increasing opiate use in the US. For some, a disturbing trend may be a decrease in the percentage of women members, at least those who participated in the survey. The 2015 survey indicated 41% were female while 59% were male, which represents a 6% decrease from 2011, when 47% of respondents were women. This is just a snapshot of the Membership Survey; the entire survey data will be shown at the WSC.

PR Roundtables

In the 2014-2016 Strategic Plan, we indicated that we aimed to conduct PR roundtables, in a sense to build upon the 2013 PR Roundtables. However, time and resources didn't permit us to implement roundtables this past cycle. We carried that item over for the 2016-2018 cycle; we remain optimistic that we will be able to follow through with this roundtable this cycle.

PR Pamphlet: "Narcotics Anonymous and Medically Assisted Treatment"

This pamphlet, whose audience is physicians who prescribe medication to treat addiction, was created to assist those physicians to understand the NA program of recovery and to help their patients gain more information

Women's Lunch

It has become a custom to have a longer lunch break at some point during the week so that we can have an organized women's lunch. We will break for two hours today for the women's lunch. To attend you must purchase a ticket at the onsite office.

Women still make a relatively small percentage of conference participants. At WSC 2014, women were 25.5% and at WSC 2012 they were 27%. This year we are expecting women will be 30% of participants attending WSC.