



INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVE (IR) – every meeting needs an IR!

Intergroup representatives will be selected by the group conscience of the meeting they represent. Term and abstinence requirements are determined by the individual meetings.

- The duty of the IR is to represent the group at intergroup (IG) meetings and to carry communications between the IG and the represented group.
- The IR attends the monthly IG meeting to bring highlights of that meeting to the meeting they represent.
- For further information or to volunteer, please speak with the secretary of your local meeting group or send email to info@oasv.org.

WHAT IS AN INTERGROUP?

When several meeting groups come together in an area, they soon realize that they can be more effective together rather than operate separately. Groups then may form an Intergroup that is directly responsible to the meeting groups it serves.

Intergroups arise from a need to provide service for a number of local meeting groups and to enable better dissemination of information about OA in a community. Typical services provided by an Intergroup can include:

- Providing a central telephone number for information about OA and the local meeting groups.
- Publishing regular newsletters or bulletins to keep meeting groups informed about one another and about upcoming OA events.
- Coordinating speakers, public information, and contact with the professional community.
- Maintaining a supply of conference-approved OA literature, as well as OA and AA books.
- Sending delegates to regional assemblies and to the [World Service Business Conference](#)

OA Definition of an Intergroup (IG): Land-based intergroups are composed primarily of groups within their region or groups within their geographical proximity (OASV Intergroup covers Santa Clara County, comprised of fifteen cities, as its geographical area, and is a part of the larger geographical area referred to as [Region 2](#)). Virtual intergroups are composed primarily of virtual groups. Intergroups can provide services to the individual groups more efficiently than groups by themselves. Intergroups also act as guardians of OA's [Twelve Steps](#), [Twelve Traditions](#), and [Twelve Concepts](#) of OA Service.

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