

**WORLD SERVICE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS**

16155 Wyandotte Street
Van Nuys, CA 91406
(818) 785-7896



December 17, 1984

Marilyn W

Dear Marilyn,

Thank you for your letter. I was checking through our files and discovered it. We are embarrassed regarding the misplacement of your letter. We hope our late answer will be of some assistance.

We believe that making specific referrals over the hotlines would in fact violate the traditions of Narcotics Anonymous, with or without a disclaimer. In order to remain consistent with the traditions the entire referral page listing referral sources and numbers needs to be removed.

Hotlines are made up of individual numbers of the Fellowship. These members share their experience, strength and hope with individuals calling. Sometimes what they share would of necessity be a suggestion that the person calling receive medical attention; however specific referrals should be avoided and common sense should be exercised.

With respect to Nar-Anon we believe that recommendations for Nar-Anon referrals can be made in your phone lines kit as long as a disclaimer is included with this.

We hope we have been of some assistance. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to write or call.

Yours in service,

Sally E., Chair
World Service Board of Trustees