

Narcotics Anonymous sprang from the Alcoholics Anonymous program of the late 1940s, with meetings first emerging in the Los Angeles area of California, USA, in the early 1950's. The NA program started as a small US movement that has grown into one of the world's oldest and largest organizations of its type.

Today, NA has established a prominent presence throughout much of the Americas, Western Europe, Australia, and New Zealand. Newly formed groups and NA communities are becoming increasingly and rapidly scattered throughout the Indian subcontinent, Africa, East Asia, Middle East, and Eastern Europe. NA books and information pamphlets are currently available in forty-one languages.

Reference to NA in Canada can be found as early as 1954, however, the Fellowship did not firmly plant roots in Canada until the early 1960's. The most significant growth took place during the mid-1980's, with the release of the Narcotics Anonymous Basic Text.

Narcotics Anonymous was initially and formally introduced to Prince Edward Island in 1984, with its first meeting hosted in Charlottetown. The PEI Area Service Committee was formed in 1991. This committee meets regularly to provide services for all NA group members and communities by organizing events, and through group conscience address any issues that may arise. Our ASC is tied to the NA service structure which includes the following service bodies: the Canadian Atlantic Region NA, the Canadian Assembly NA, and the World Service Office NA.