Why do we elect delegates?

The purpose of electing delegates is to ensure that the group conscience is served through equal and fair representation of our membership. Registered delegates receive packets of information concerning the voting items being presented, enabling them to review the materials in advance and to learn their home group's conscience prior to the conference.

How do I learn whether my Intergroup has already selected a slate of delegates?

The following is a list of phone numbers and websites of registered Intergroups. If you live in one of the areas listed, please contact the Intergroup for further information about becoming a delegate. If you live in an area where there is no Intergroup, your group may elect you as a delegate.

REGION	PHONE NUMBER	WEBSITE
ARIZONA	480-990-3860	
CALIFORNIA:		
NORTHERN CA	415-995-1938	www.nica-norcal.org
SAN DIEGO	619-682-7092	
SOUTHERN CA	800-642-0666	www.scina.org
CHICAGOLAND	312-458-9826	www.nicotine-anonymous-chicagoland.org
GEORGIA	404-244-8444	
NEW JERSEY/PENNSYLVANIA	732-516-0940	
NEW ORLEANS	504-552-9271	
NEW YORK	631-665-0527	
ST. LOUIS	314-832-9279	
TEXAS:		
AUSTIN	512-467-2795	
EL PASO	915-545-5139	
HOUSTON	713-827-5989	
NORTH TEXAS	214-327-1633	www.nicadfw.org
UNITED KINGDOM	020-7976-0076	
VIRGINIA:		
TIDEWATER AREA	757-538-2699	
ONLINE INTERGROUP	413-737-0565	

How many delegates can an Intergroup vote to elect? Each Intergroup is entitled to send one delegate for every three meetings it represents and one additional delegate for any portion thereof.

What if my group doesn't belong to an Intergroup? Groups that are not affiliated with an Intergroup are also eligible to send a delegate using a similar system. If there are between one and three groups not affiliated with an Intergroup, those one, two or three meetings may elect one delegate collectively to represent them. If there are more than three, those groups again may collectively send one delegate for every three meetings and one additional delegate for any portion thereof.

Are the costs a delegate incurs reimbursable? What are the procedures for such an election?

Delegate election is done the way any other business is conducted at your local group or Intergroup. Some Intergroups reimburse their delegates for a portion of the conference expenses, but both of these aspects of delegate service are outside of the scope of World Services in keeping with our fourth tradition. However, delegate expenses are tax deductible.

Whom can I contact for further information about this process?

Email: ChairpersonElect@nicotine-anonymous.org

If you have any questions about this process, or would like additional information about forming an Intergroup in your area, please contact the World Services Chair-Elect: 419 Main Street, PMB# 370, Huntington Beach, CA 92648 Phone **1(877) TRY-NICA**

Delegates must register 30 day prior to the conference with Nicotine Anonymous World Services, Attention: Secretary using the address above, or via email at Secretary@nicotine-anonymous.org. The following information must be provided: Full name, mailing address, telephone number and the name of the group(s) or Intergroup that delegate is representing.