

# Accessibilities

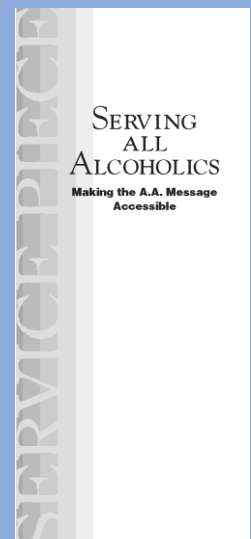
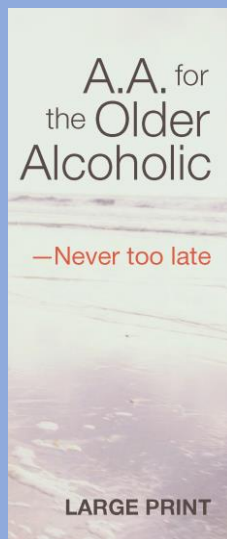
While there are no special alcoholics, many people who want to stop drinking experience access barriers to receiving the A.A. message. Some members are ill, homebound or living in retirement or convalescent homes; others have hearing or vision loss, learning, reading or information-processing challenges; and still others are elderly, use wheelchairs or canes, or have other mobility concerns. Literature may be hard to understand. Childcare issues may make it impossible to attend regular meetings. Remote geography or cultural differences may hinder contact with other members.

Accessibility challenges apply to all alcoholics who have difficulties participating in Alcoholics Anonymous, whether those are mental, physical, geographic, cultural, or other factors that vary among people. Some of these alcoholics may experience barriers to accessing the A.A. message, including the literature, meetings, Twelfth Step work, and the service structure

A wide variety of Accessibilities material is available that can help, including literature in Braille, American Sign Language (ASL), and easy-to-read pamphlets in English, as well as in other languages, in regular and large print.

Access *Alcoholics Anonymous* and *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions* on pdf, ASL and audio formats. There is also an [Accessibilities Video](#) in ASL.

For a list of online and in person meetings see the [SEPIA](#) website.



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