

**Q:** Who are the officers and what are the duties?

**A: Chairperson:**

Maintain and establish agenda and preside over all PTI meetings

Responsible for overall unity and group conscious of PTI

Liaison with WSO and Region8

**Vice Chair:** Assumes all responsibilities in absences of the Chair and assists in any matter needed

Forward any information specifically to committees responsible to handle the same

**Secretary:** Records the minutes of all meetings of the Intergroup

Submit unapproved minutes to the Board for approval and then to print in the newsletter

**Treasurer:** Carefully guards all funds and takes charge of all money

Maintains records of transactions

Submits expenditures at the regular intergroup meetings

Submits detailed financial report of contributions and expenditures at the regular intergroup meetings

Serves as Chair of Budget Committee

**Q:** What does PTI do with the money it gets from my home meeting?

**A:** There is an OA pamphlet (Seventh Tradition of OA) which suggests how the 7th Tradition contributions should be distributed. PTI adopted the 60/30/10 structure as outlines in the pamphlet at the November 1994 meeting.

PTI pledges that the 7th tradition received from groups are distributed as follows:

PTI	60%
WSO	30%
R-8	10%

60% of your contribution is retained by PTI and used locally for printing and mailing costs, new meeting seed money, hot line upkeep, PIPO, Office expenses, sending Region Representatives to SOAR 8 Business Assemblies (2 times a year) and Delegates to World Service, once a year. PTI also sponsor Workshops, Marathons, and Retreats.

The primary purpose of Assemblies is to conduct OA business at the Region level for Region assembly world wide at the World Service Business Convention. Our PTI representatives give us a voice and vote in the process of OA business.

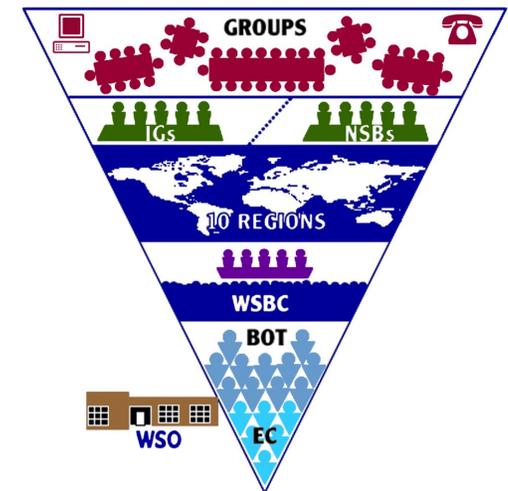
We hope some questions have been answered and you have a better understanding of PTI and its role of OA. If you have any question, an interest in learning more or doing service in OA, please attend one or more of our PTI intergroup meetings conducted monthly. All members are welcome. It is the third Friday of the month at Morton Plant Hospital in Tuttle Room at 6:30PM, first floor, right across for the cafeteria. SERVICE is one of our tools of recovery and it is through service that we help those who are still suffering and help ourselves keep what we have so freely been given.

**OA Responsibility Pledge:**

Always to extend the hand and heart of OA to all who share my compulsion, for this I am responsible.

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# An Introduction To Pinellas Traditions Intergroup



This pamphlet has been prepared by Pinellas Traditions Intergroup (PTI) for the purpose of introducing PTI to the members who are unfamiliar with the role of the intergroup in the service structure of Overeaters Anonymous. Reproductions of this material is permitted in its entirety by other OA groups, with a provision for free distribution only.

## **We tried to answer the most frequently asked questions.**

**Q:** What is an intergroup and what does it do?

**A:** Pinellas Traditions Intergroup is an association of Overeater's Anonymous (OA) groups within Pinellas County area. There are roughly 26 groups affiliated with PTI. PTI's primary purpose is to serve its members and thus help "to carry the message to those who still suffer." By consolidating and coordinating the OA outreach efforts and activities, the intergroup can accomplish what one group or individual could not do alone. Intergroups are a fulfillment of the Ninth OA Tradition: "OA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve."

Here are a few ways PTI serves our members:

Publish a monthly "Newsletter"

Meeting list found on [oapinellas.org](http://oapinellas.org)

Assist newly formed groups

Coordinate Public Information

Reach out to unaffiliated groups within Pinellas/Pasco

Distribute Regional information (We are Region 8)

Participate in the annual Florida State Convention

Sponsor Workshops, Marathons, Retreats and special events

A regular PTI meeting is held the third Friday of each month and is attended by Service Board, Intergroup Reps (IR) and/or alternates and Committee members. Visitors are always welcome.

### **Email:**

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This intergroup is governed by The 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, and 12 Concepts of OA and the Bylaws of this intergroup

PTI has a Service Board which consists of duly elected officers: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Along with the Service Board, much 12 Step service is done through PTI "Committee" work, each doing service to help bring OA to those who need and want it. If you have any interest in any of these committees, come to a meeting and check it out.

### **THESE ARE SOME OF THE COMMITTEES:**

**Bylaws & Electronic Documents** - Work with PTI Board and membership to submit motions to be voted on at PTI, as needed; ensure that PTI motions, Bylaws, policies and procedures comply with OA, Inc. Bylaws, and that none of our internal documents conflict with each other; update policy and procedure documents as a result of changes addressed at PTI meetings.

**Intergroup Outreach (IGOR) – Reaches out to other OA intergroups.** Create cohesion, promote contact and foster unity within PTI; oversee the sponsorship of PTI groups and funding program; encourage the use of the OA 12 Traditions to promote and protect the growth of members, groups and Intergroup.

**Public Information/Professional Outreach (PIPO) –** Provides information and outreach to the public about OA. Carries the message of OA to the interested professionals of our community; assists the health care profession serving our area in reaching out to those still suffering.

**Tech Web** - Handle technical specifications for PTI; reviewing hosting manual for technical specifications. May help by posting documents electronically during PTI meetings.

**Twelve Step Within (TSW)** - Helps those members who are currently in OA to find and maintain abstinence, work the steps and stay in OA. Also helps those in relapse in recovery by sharing information and ideas on how to strengthen their program. Includes sub-committees of Lifeline, newsletter, special events, marathons, workshops, and retreats, as needed.

**Unity With Diversity** - Though we are all different, we suffer the same disease and seek the same solution through the OA Fellowship. We welcome all newcomers regardless of their differences by making them one of us; to try and live the Twelve Traditions of OA since they represent the boundaries of our diversity.

**Ways and Means** – Maintains communications between PTI and our members in all matters concerning all accountability and finances within PTI according to our 12 Traditions.

**Pinellas Traditions Intergroup meets the third Friday of every month at 6:30PM in the Tuttle Room, first floor, (across from the café) at Morton Plant Hospital, 300 Pinellas Street, Clearwater. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please join us!**