As a faith leader, you are often the first point of contact for people struggling with a drinking problem, whether it's their own or that of a loved one. You can guide your members toward a healthier future with a free online tool, the NIAAA Alcohol Treatment Navigator®.

Help your members who have alcohol problems

The Navigator is a trustworthy resource from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), a part of the National Institutes of Health. It points the way to science-backed care offered by health professionals. This includes telehealth services, an essential during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Navigator provides:

- **Consumer education** about alcohol problems and evidence-based treatment approaches that increase the odds for a successful recovery.
- **Search tools and strategies** for finding a range of quality providers, including those who offer telehealth services in your area.
- **A roadmap** for how to best support individuals and their families through the process—from starting the conversation, to choosing a provider, to understanding relapse.

In short, the Navigator is like having a treatment expert guide you as you help others make a difficult and important decision.

Spread the word

Here’s how you can help inform your community about the Navigator:

- **Become familiar with the Navigator’s expert guidance and search process.** Consider using the tools to find some examples of quality treatment options in your area.
- **Share the Navigator directly with people who come to you for help.** Provide the web address and look at the site together if possible. See if they can use it on their own or if they need help.
- **Share the Navigator in print or on social media.** See the following pages for flyers and postcards to hand out, post, or mail. See the Spread the Word page for tweets, Facebook posts, and more.

We value your feedback. Please email your comments, stories of success, and how you’re using the Navigator to NIAANavigator@mail.nih.gov.

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9 Looking for quality alcohol treatment?

It’s not just about getting alcohol treatment. It’s about getting the right treatment for you.

Ready-made social media messages

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