

ACA WSO/APB – Safety Card Review Meeting on July 13, 2019

The Addressing Predatory Behavior (APB) Working Group held its first open Town Hall discussion regarding the language used in the draft for an [ACA Commitment to Meeting Safety \(safety card\)](#). This discussion was a huge success, with about 30 members dialing in. We identified a number of issues of concern that will be further explored in our second Town Hall discussion, which is scheduled for July 13, from 12:30 pm to 2 pm EDT.

We will be posting a summary of our discussion here by Sunday, June 30. Our goal is to identify 3 -5 items to be workshopped during the next call on July 30. This will allow us to go more in-depth on each item than we were able to during the first call.

The second Town Hall will take place on Saturday, July 13, 2019 from 12:30 pm to 2 pm EDT, via ZOOM. To join this meeting via the Internet, you can follow this link: <https://zoom.us/j/589205475>

To join the meeting, you can also dial in from your phone, using the meeting ID: 589 205 475. To find your local number, go to: <https://zoom.us/u/abtUE8B5j> - or dial by your location:

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At the 2019 ABC in Malmo (Sweden) the following motion was approved by Delegates regarding the safety card (see also <https://acawso.org/2019/05/04/2019-aca-annual-business-conference-summary/>):

That the Addressing Predatory Behavior working group convene at least two open discussion sessions, available to all volunteers, and revise proposed literature about victimizing behavior inside and outside ACA meetings. Following WSO board approval, the revised literature will be made available to the fellowship by September 2019, so that groups can test it and provide feedback to WSO. The working group and Literature Committee will incorporate fellowship suggestions as needed, and bring a final document back to the 2020 ABC for Conference Approval.

If you are interested in finding more helpful resources on addressing predatory behavior in ACA meetings, go to: <https://acawso.org/category/apb/>. If you have questions about predatory behavior or about the APB working group, you can send an e-mail to apb@acawso.org.