

**Sample script for the Nurses or Doctors wanting to offer an A.A. peer support visit.**

1. Discuss health risk:
  - a. Patient specific (e.g. pancreatitis, alcohol related liver problems); include withdrawal, such as, “You are experiencing alcohol withdrawal (where applicable add: other specific conditions of concern to the patient) related to your drinking.”
2. Inform about social worker consultation:
  - a. “Your care plan requires that you meet with a social worker. The social worker can explore treatment options with you.”
3. Offer Peer Support visit:
  - a. “One thing I can do, is initiate a visit by a person who is recovering from an alcohol use disorder. The person is a member of Alcoholics Anonymous. They will be able to provide support and talk with you about their experiences and recovery. How do you would feel about a visit from someone from A.A.?”

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