

American Association of Anger Management Providers

Over the last two months, a number of major developments in anger management have occurred. George Anderson, director of Anderson & Anderson, has appeared on National Public Radio on "All Things Considered" with Robert Siegel. This broadcast was well received nationally, resulting in 4,700 hits on the Anderson & Anderson website in only one day. Additionally, the five weeks following this broadcast generated over 40,000 hits on our site.

On December 3, 2004, George Anderson taped a segment of "Starting Over," a daytime reality television show aired on NBC. An assessment was given to five women who are the main participants in this series, and anger management was provided to one of these five women. The Conover Assessment Component, which is newly featured on our website, was used for this assessment. The Anderson & Anderson anger management model was used for the intervention portion. This hour long segment will be shown on national television sometime in January. We will announce the date, time and stations on our website.

In November, the Texas Commission on Juvenile Probation approved the Anderson & Anderson model of anger management intervention for the training of Juvenile Probation staff in Texas. It is likely that Adult Probation will also approve this training for its professional staff.

Due to this widespread exposure, many of the recent calls and e-mails we have received have been from people who want to be providers, as well as providers who are looking to have a recognized organization to give anger management providers a voice and an official representation on a local and national level.

In response to these requests, Anderson & Anderson have decided to assist in forming such an organization. The following partial list of anger management providers from various orientations and disciplines have agreed to take an active role in this endeavor. They are: Dr. Robert Evans, Florida, Leonard Ingram, MA, Chicago, Pastor Robert Evans, DD, Texas, Tiane Fox, Kansas, Ellen Brokos, M.A., New York, Frank Morales, M.A, Alabama, Alfred Cruz, Guam, Newton Hightower, MSW, Texas, Dr. Charles Canady, Dr. Tony Fiore, California and Jana Williamson, B.A, Arkansas.

Initially, volunteers will serve as national and local office holders. I, George Anderson, will not hold an office position, but rather will assist in providing clerical support and membership marketing.

I strongly urge all of you who have an interest in anger management to become a part of this organization.