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Dear Trusted Servants.

On behalf of the World Service Office (WSO) we want to thank you for the loving interchange taking place on this community with the practice of Al-Anon principles during this challenging time. We recognize that Alateen meetings are subject to the same meeting suspensions but that our Alateens do not have the same access to the electronic meetings as Al-Anon members do. Alateens are encouraged to participate in the Alateen Chat meetings that are available. Registration is required. Click this link for details to share with

them: <u>al-anon.org/newcomers/teen-corner-alateen/...</u>. Please inform the Alateens that these meetings are only accessible from a computer; not a mobile device, tablet or ipad.

If certified AMIAS members choose to temporarily set up electronic Alateen meeting please use this as a guideline:

- The electronic meeting is to be set up at the **same time and day** as the face-to-face Alateen meeting
- Once it has been determined to meet electronically, share the information with your Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP), local Al-Anon Information Service or wherever your meeting information is displayed locally online. This way, newcomers will continue to be able to find meetings within their "community." Many local websites have created lists of meetings that have temporarily closed and are posting the electronic information to replace the meeting, if it has been set up.
- If possible, try to place a sign at the physical meeting location directing newcomers how to access the meeting electronically.

Remember that this is a temporary status. Once groups are able to meet again, please remind members to close the various conference call lines and online platforms. We hope this information is helpful.

Please stay safe and stay connected
Love in service,
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