

**Task Force on  
Alateen Training and  
Attorney Comments relating  
Area Safety and Behavioral Requirements  
AWSC – August 2021**

**We were given a multiple charge regarding Area Alateen Processes:** “Task Force: Alateen Process.. How can be change to be streamline? Can the Certification and Re-Certification process for Al-Anon Members in Alateen Service for the Area, be updated using the most current ASBR? Also, this Task Force can review and integrate the recommendations of legal counsel. I also want this task force to review the online training that you and I talk about that they were supposed to streamline and they did not shorten it.”

We have managed to accomplish all the tasks.

1. Streamlining the Alateen Certification and Recertification Process. The Alateen Coordinator and AAPP have given 6 trainings using the newly updated, online FRESH process. All feedback has been positive. The Task Force reviewed the process and found it meets the charge.

2. Review recommendations of Legal Counsel regarding our updated Area Safety and Behavioral Requirements (approved in October 2020).

There were three recommendations

- include length of time documents must be held on file,
- clarify whether any adult can be left with teens if not trained as an AMIAS
- clarify the process for training and certification

As to these points: the 5 year requirement is included in the process and the document, there is no provision that adults other than AMIAS may interact with teens. The only exception is that a parent or guardian can always have access to their child, the training and certification process is outlined in the document and can be further clarified within the job descriptions of the two coordinators.

Recommendations of the Task Force

- Continue certification of AMIAS as currently structured
- Continue to encourage certification if Al-Anon members want to interact with teens. Keep the guidelines and requirements clear that only certified AMIAS can participate at Alateen meetings and events.
- Ask Alateen Coordinator and AAPP to update their job descriptions.

Thank you for letting us be of service.

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