

# AFG Area 9 – Florida North Policy and Procedures Admitting Electronic Groups to Area 9 Florida North

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## Policy

Al-Anon Family Groups from the Global Electronic Area (GEA) will qualify to participate in the Florida North, Area 9, service structure if they meet the following qualifications:

- Permanent Electronic Groups (PEG) must be registered with the WSO and share their meeting information (time, format, group type, platform).
- A group wishing to register as an Electronic Group in the Florida North Area follows all established procedures outlined in the Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual and the Florida North Area Process for Group Records Changes and New Registration Procedures.
- The group will have and will maintain a physical Current Mailing Address (CMA) in the Florida North Area.
- Residency Requirement: The group is required to elect a Group Representative that resides in the Florida North Area.
- The group is willing to send a GR to the in-person District meetings and to Assemblies.
- A group from the Global Electronic Area that is interested in participating in the Florida North Area service structure should reach out to the Area Group Records Coordinator to request the transfer from the Global Electronic Area to Area 9.
- The Area Delegate informs the WSO that the Florida North Area will admit the group from the Global Electronic Area (GEA) into our Area 9 service structure.

## Procedure

- The Permanent Electronic Group (PEG) submits a request to the WSO Group Records to be part of our Area via email. The request should include a reason for joining the Florida North Area.
- In addition to the request, the group should also provide documentation that they have the approval to leave their former area.
- The WSO Group Records will review the request and the group's record to ensure that they are registered with WSO.
- The request and documentation are forwarded to the Area Chairperson, Area Group Records Coordinator and Delegate for review and approval based on the Area requirements.
- The Area 9 Chairperson will notify the WSO Group Records of the decision made regarding the request.
- If approved, the Area Group Records Coordinator may need to contact WSO to make the transfer between the Areas.

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- The PEG selects which District it wants to join. The Area Chairperson, Delegate and Area Group Records Coordinator will assign a district number.
  - The Area Group Records Coordinator will notify the group and District Representative (DR).
  - The DR will be asked to contact the GR of the group and the GR will be invited to the District meetings and the GR Orientation at the next Assembly.