

Area Alateen Process Person REPORT

Assembly June 2021

Hello Panel 61! I am very pleased to be serving as your Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP), and I am grateful for the opportunity to provide you with all the necessary information to allow our Area to participate in Al-Anon and Alateen recovery.

From Al-Anon/Alateen Service manual 2018-2021:

The AAPP serves as the Area's designated Alateen contact with the WSO Group Records Department regarding Alateen forms and processes all Alateen group and AMIAS information for the Area. The AAPP collaborates with the Area Alateen Coordinator and the Groups Records Coordinator...concerning the distribution and submission of Alateen forms and the WSO Group Records reports. (p. 75)

Our Area 9 Alateen Coordinator, Eleanor J, and I work very closely together. Since January 1 we have been focusing on several things. These are my responsibility:

- 1) **Recertification with the WSO.** This process is set to be complete on June 12. As of May 1 we have 19 Active Alateen Groups, 43 certified/recertified AMIAS and 17 AMIAS from last panel who have not responded yet – but we are in contact with the District Representative for each of them. The Districts are very involved in our Certification process each year, thus strengthening the service structure that supports us all.
- 2) **FRESH Events:** FRESH stands for Forms, Resources, Experience, Strength and Hope. In response to several surveys asking for simplification and online training, we have developed a simplified online training and certification process that includes not only AMIAS training but also opportunities for fellowship and support. We will be offering these on Zoom nearly every month of 2021. We will reassess in December and see what we need to change. All members of Al-Anon are welcome to attend any of these meetings. You may register by contacting our Alateen Coordinator who will add your name to the list, and send you the Agenda and Zoom information.
- 3) **FDLE Compliance.** I have completed the compliance audit with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement that allows us to use their Criminal History Records Search process.
- 4) **Area Convention.** In addition, I am serving as the Alateen Chair for our 2021 Convention August 27-29 in Orlando. Eleanor and I have worked closely with other AMIAS to work through several details and procedures to make it a dynamic, fun and safe Alateen experience – in person! Please contact me for a Registration Packet.

Forms and Requirements (all downloadable from our Area website):

- 1) Current **Area Safety and Behavioral Requirements**
- 2) Panel 61 **Area 9 AMIAS Certification Form** - all AMIAS need to complete.
- 3) Panel 61 **Area 9 Alateen Group Sponsor Form** - if you are a CMA or Group Sponsor
- 4) Current **VECHS Waiver Form** that needs to be filled out, *and the original mailed to the AAPP. Address is on the form.*

These forms are all on the website, and included as part of the FRESH events that are scheduled each month on Zoom. This online training and certification process is simple and effective and open to everyone. The schedule is on the Alateen page of the Area website.

All requirements and agreements with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) have been transitioned, and we are now processing background checks. These instructions will be emailed to those who have completed the online FRESH event.

The Area pays the cost your Fingerprint and background check. *The process is:* you pay and submit the receipt to your District Treasurer who reimburses you. The District Treasurer submits receipts to the Area Treasurer who reimburses the District.

A list of the **Disqualifying Offenses** is on the website, and you are encouraged to read these as you consider serving as an AMIAS for our Area.

The WSO sent out Alateen Group Records Update Forms to the CMA or Group Contact for all Alateen Groups, and these included an incorrect address for the AAPP. I know it is confusing and we are all sorry about that. Their computer used the Group contact address as the AAPP address. I believe they sent out a second, corrected form. The simplest thing to do might be to use our Area Group Sponsor form (on the Area website) and you can send that to me by email.

Certification of Area Alateen programs is ongoing, and I am in the update process now. We will be concluding the process June 12, 2021.

If you are an AMIAS in our Area, please stay in touch with me regarding any changes you make in your contact information. This is vital. Returned mail or bounced emails to the WSO will result in inactivation.

Please, let me know how I may help you with Alateen!

Sincerely yours in service,

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