

# Alateen Training Module IV

## Alateen Events

Florida North Area

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# Events with Alateen Participation

- Area Alateen Conferences
- Area Alateen Roundups
- Area Assemblies and other service meetings
- Area Al-Anon Conventions
- A.A. Conventions with Al-Anon/ Alateen participation

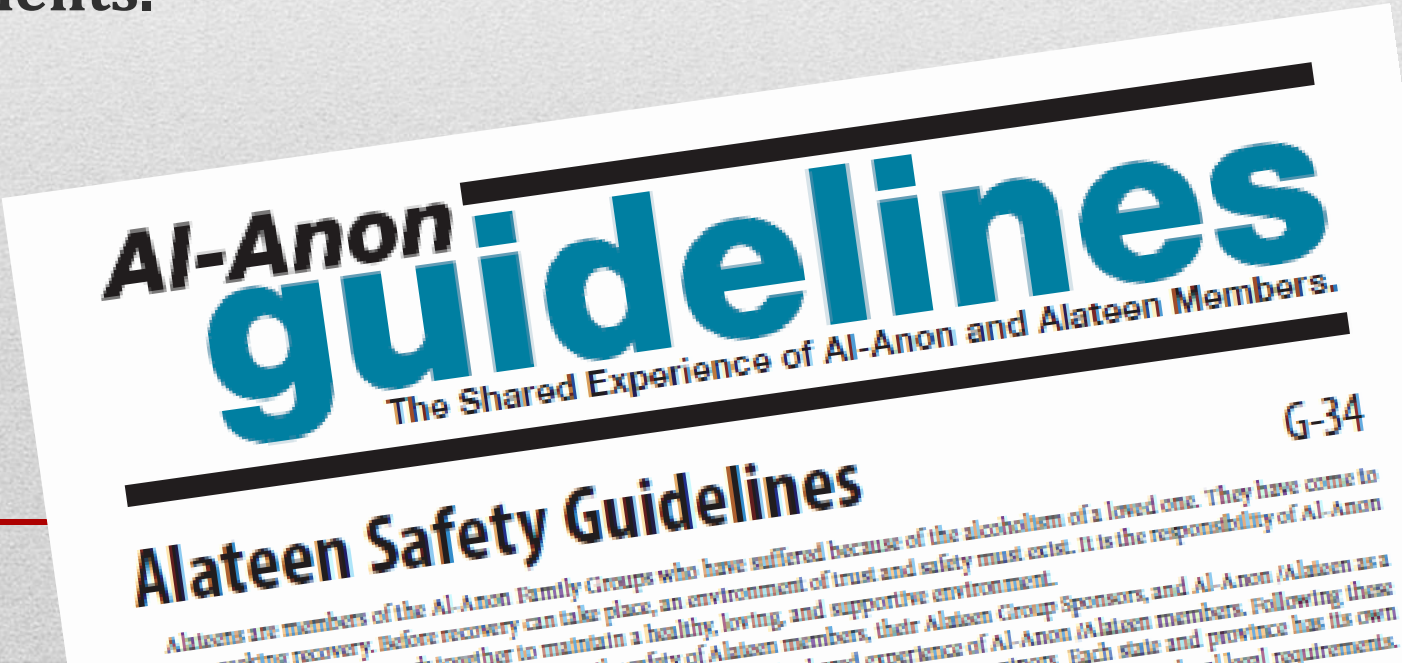


District meetings are also excellent opportunities for Alateen members to participate.

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# Alateen Safety

All events using the Alateen name in the Area must have Safety and Behavioral Requirements that meet or exceed the Area Safety and Behavioral Requirements.

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**Al-Anon**  
**guidelines**  
The Shared Experience of Al-Anon and Alateen Members.

## **Alateen Safety Guidelines**


Alateens are members of the Al-Anon Family Groups who have suffered because of the alcoholism of a loved one. They have come to seeking recovery. Before recovery can take place, an environment of trust and safety must exist. It is the responsibility of Al-Anon to work together to maintain a healthy, loving, and supportive environment.

The safety of Alateen members, their Alateen Group Sponsors, and Al-Anon (Alateen) as a whole is the responsibility of Al-Anon members. Following these guidelines is essential to the safety and experience of Al-Anon (Alateen) members. Each state and province has its own requirements.

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# Needed for all events using the Alateen name

- The event must operate in connection with the Area. Districts stand for the opportunity to put on an Alateen event.
  - Plan for implementing Safety Requirements at the event – consent forms, medical forms, contact information, etc.
  - Certified Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS)
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Verification of current  
AMIAS certification must  
be obtained from your  
Area.

Contact your AAPP for status of  
AMIAS at event

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# Implementing Area Alateen Requirements at Events

- Make sure the entire Area understands that the ASBR is being followed and who is responsible for implementing the ASBR forms, etc.
  - Ensure 24/7 AMIAS supervision of all teens for whom they are responsible.
  - At Area Convention, if a teen is attending with their parent, then the parent is responsible for the teen whenever they are not in the Alateen program.
  - Procedures for dealing with problems
    - Make sure there is a health professional on site for Conference
    - Make sure there is a Committee that can support the AMIAS and the teens when an issue arises. This can be members of the planning committee.
    - Make sure that all Alateens read, understand and sign the Behavioral Agreement.
    - Make sure that AMIAS understand the group conscience that guides the Alateen program at the event.
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# Permission Forms

**Area Requirements will determine when permission forms are necessary.**

Generally, they are used for all special events, including overnight events, and any time transportation is provided to an Alateen by an Area-certified Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service.

## **FORM A: INFORMATION AND PERMISSION FORM**

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*Since laws vary from area to area, it is suggested that this form be reviewed for compliance with local laws.*

**THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT ENTIRELY IN ORDER FOR THE ALATEEN MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE**

**PARENTS:** Please read, complete, sign this form and keep a copy for your records.

**ALATEENS:** Please return this completed form to your Sponsor or accompanying adult.

**SPONSOR/ADULT ESCORT:** Keep the original copy of this form in your possession for the duration of time the Alateen member is in your charge.

# Al-Anon/Alateen Conventions



- Alateen is part of Al-Anon Family Groups.
  - Alateen participation must adhere to the Area's Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements.
  - Can be a shared recovery experience for all Al-Anon/Alateen members.
  - A great opportunity for Area-certified Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS) to be of service to Alateen and support the regular Alateen Group Sponsors!
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# Area Business Meetings



Including:

- Assemblies
- Area World Service Committee (AWSC)
- District Meetings

Make sure there are certified AMIAS present.

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# **Alateen participation at the Florida North Convention**

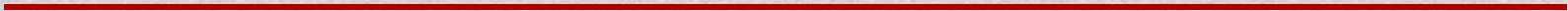
- Alateen Chair on the Convention Committee, and the working group for the teen program, coordinates the AMIAS volunteers, the Alateen program and sets up all information for registration and compliance with Area Safety and Behavioral Requirements. AMIAS and Al-Anon members work together to organize the Alateen program.
  - AMIAS volunteers, parents, grandparents and all Al-Anon members are important to success!
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# A.A. Conventions with Al-Anon/Alateen Participation

- A.A. may invite Al-Anon and Alateen to participate in its conventions or other events.
  - Alateen participation must adhere to the Area Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements. **There can be no Alateen participation if Al-Anon is not invited to participate.**
  - The A.A. planning committee must agree to adhere to the Al-Anon Area's Requirements for Alateen participation.
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# Alateen Conferences

- This is an overnight event for Alateens.
- Opportunity for Alateens and Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS) to enhance their recovery through sharing of ideas, fun, and fellowship
- Increased sharing experience with wider Alateen membership



# Alateen Conferences

- In Florida North, Districts stand as a group, to host the Alateen Conference. They choose the Chairperson.
- Conference requirements must meet or exceed Area 9 ASBR.
- Area 9 fully funds the Alateen Conference. No fundraising is necessary.
- Behavioral Guidelines must be signed by all teens.
- AMIAS must comply with Host Committee program.



## Al-Anon guidelines

The Shared Experience of Al-Anon and Alateen Members.

### Alateen Conferences

An Alateen conference is an opportunity for Alateen members and Alateen Group Sponsors\* to increase their understanding of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions through the sharing of ideas, fun, and fellowship. Alateen conferences give attendees the increased experience of a wider Alateen membership. Alateen conferences are sometimes called Alateen round-ups, Alateen conventions, \*Sponsor and "Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service" (or "AMIAS") are used to include all AMIAS who are serving at the conference in any capacity.

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are held.

# Alateen Conferences

- Are closed events, for Alateens and certified Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS) only.
- An Alateen Conference with an open meeting(s) needs to have:
  - a process to identify the Area-certified Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service
  - a safety plan to insure that Alateens are always in the care of the Area-certified AMIAS present



## Alateen Safety Guidelines

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# Alateen Conferences

- The geographic location of the event determines which Area's Safety and Behavioral Requirements is followed. State law of the location is to be followed.
- Areas in the same state can host Alateen conferences in either geographic locale, because state law applies.
- Areas in the same state may use their own ASBR no matter the locale, because state law applies.

**If two Areas want to co-host an Alateen Conference this decision and the protocols must be decided through both Area service structures, including Area Delegates, Area Chairs and Area Alateen Coordinators.**

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# Al-Anon/Alateen Literature and other Materials

## Planning resources:

- *Alateen Conferences* guideline (G-16)
- *Alateen Safety Guidelines* (G-34)
- *Cooperation between Al-Anon and A.A.* guideline (G-3)
- *Members Interested in Speaking* guideline (G-1)
- *Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (P-24/27)

## Program resources:

- Conference Approved Literature
- Conflict Resolution Kit (K-70)
- *The Forum*
- Area and WSO Web Sites
- Alateen Service e-Manual on [www.al-anon.org/members](http://www.al-anon.org/members)





# Wrap Up

- Contact for questions - Alateen Event Chairperson (check with Alateen Coordinator)
  - Area Alateen Coordinator:
    - Eleanor J. – [Alateen-61@AFGArea9.org](mailto:Alateen-61@AFGArea9.org)
  - Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP):
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# Wrap Up

- Alateen Conferences and other recovery events can enhance the Alateen experience.
- Planning these events takes care and understanding of Area 9 Alateen Requirements.
- The principles of the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Concepts of Service should be practiced in all aspects of Alateen events.

Enjoy!

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