

“As the Group Turns”
Questions/Vignettes and Potential Responses
2014-2017 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual References

The responses to the questions/vignettes are not intended to be an exhaustive list. Members may find additional information in the *Service Manual*.

- 1) According to the *Service Manual*, can a member of Al-Anon who is also a member of A.A. be certified as an Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS)?

Information pertaining to this issue can be found on the following pages of the *2014-2017 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (not an exhaustive list):

Starting an Alateen Group, p. 31.
Alateen Personal Sponsor, p. 49.
Alateen Group Sponsor, p. 88.

- 2) What are some ways that a group can fund-raise to cover the costs of the Group Representative's (GR's) expenses?

Information pertaining to this issue can be found on the following pages of the *2014-2017 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (not an exhaustive list):

Passing the Basket, p. 9.
Group Finances/Budget, p. 56.
Fund Raising, p. 97.
Outside Contributions, p. 97
Avoiding Commercialism, p. 97.
Raffles/Lottery Tickets, p. 98.

- 3) What is a CMA and what does a CMA do? Is a CMA also the Group Representative (GR)?

Information pertaining to this issue can be found on the following pages of the *2014-2017 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (not an exhaustive list):

WSO Registration Process, p. 30.
CMA (Current Mailing Address), p. 34, 47.
Multiple Meetings, p. 37.
Getting the Meeting Started, p. 38.
Starting an Electronic Al-Anon Meeting (On-line and Telephone), p. 38.
Initial Group Service Positions, p. 39.
Group Business Meetings, p. 52.
Trusted Servants' Reports, p. 55.
Group Finances/Budget, p. 56.
Newsletters/Timely Publications, p. 61.
Groups, p. 70.
Service Communication, p. 93.
Mailing Address at the WSO, p. 156.

- 4) Is there a way to welcome nursing students to our meetings if our meetings are designated as “open”?

Information pertaining to this issue can be found on the following pages of the *2014-2017 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (not an exhaustive list):

Suggested Al-Anon/Alateen Welcome, pp. 10-11.
The Alateen Meeting, p. 33.
Meeting Type: Open/Closed Meetings, p. 36.
Introductory Meetings, p. 83.
Who Attends Alateen Meetings, p. 89.

- 5) How does the group conduct a business meeting and take a vote for a group conscience decision?

Information pertaining to this issue can be found on the following pages of the *2014-2017 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (not an exhaustive list):

Group Business Meetings and Group Conscience, p. 51.
Group Business Meetings, p. 52.
Group Conscience, p. 53.

- 6) Can I mention or quote from books that are not Al-Anon Conference Approved, but that I have found helpful, when I am sharing at a meeting?

Information pertaining to this issue can be found on the following pages of the *2014-2017 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (not an exhaustive list):

Sharing in Al-Anon/Alateen Meetings, p. 40.
Use of Material at Al-Anon Meetings, p. 104.

- 7) Can we invite an expert on alcoholism to speak at our meeting?

Information pertaining to this issue can be found on the following pages of the *2014-2017 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* (not an exhaustive list):

Speaker Meetings, p. 45.
Tradition Six, p. 56.
Speakers from the Helping Professions, p. 121.
Members' Outside Involvement, p. 122.
Outside Therapies, p. 124.
Professional Involvement, p. 124.