

# Becoming / Being an AMIAS

**Welcome! Thank you for considering becoming an Al-Anon Member in Alateen Service (AMIAS)!**

## What does an AMIAS do?

Attend events and meetings where your mere presence will allow teens to stay, speak or participate. This could be at: an annual event where an Alateen is the speaker, an Alateen meeting as a biweekly sponsor or on substitute basis, an Alateen event such as the R&R retreat, or transporting a teen to or from one of the above. An AMIAS can also stand for a District Level Service position of District Area Process Person (DAPP).

If you are unsure of what service you may be willing or available to provide, you could simply go through the process of becoming an AMIAS. This is done with little difficulty and no expense.

## What support is available?

- The twice a year training at the area (Northern California. It's a great place to ask questions and meet with / hear questions from other AMIAS.
- The Alateen Coordinator and District Area Process Person (DAPP) in each district/area.
- AMIAS support each other.

## What is the process?

- Speak with the local District Area Process Person (DAPP) to learn about the few forms needed to submit for certification and ask any questions you may have.
- Fill out a few forms stating that you meet the criteria and commit to a year of service.
- Get a livescan (fingerprinting and background check). This is quite easy and fast.
- Submit livescan receipt for reimbursement.
- Wait for confirmation that all have been received and you are a known certified AMIAS!

## While you are waiting, you can:

- Come to the AMIAS Quarterly Business meeting and get familiar with the Alateen territory.
- Become familiar with the safety guidelines,
- Go to a training session.

## What is the time frame?:

There is no rush or pressure. Generally takes a month or two; but can take longer.

**To read more about AMIAS service check out <https://www.al-anonSF.org/alateen> and  
Contact the Alateen Coordinator at [alateen@al-anonSF.org](mailto:alateen@al-anonSF.org) or 415-501-0694**

