

RHODE ISLAND AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS
ACRONYMS AND COMMON PHRASES

ACRONYM or PHRASE	DEFINITION
AAPP	Area Alateen Process Person
AFG	Al-Anon Family Groups
AIS	Al-Anon Information Services (our Area office)
AMIAS	Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Services (usually an Alateen group sponsor)
Area Assembly	Business meeting where the GRs represent the groups in deciding Area policy and elect Area officers and coordinators (2 per year).
AWSC	Area World Service Committee
CAL	Conference Approved Literature
CMA	Current Mailing Address (for an Al-Anon group)
DR	District Representative (RIAFG has 3 DRs)
GR	Group Representative (each group should have a GR to represent it at Area Assemblies)
KBDM	Knowledge Based Decision Making (the process Al-Anon uses for making substantive decisions)
LDC	Literature Distribution Center (shares space with Area Office)
NERD	Northeast Regional Delegates Meeting
ODAT	One Day At A Time
Panel	A panel consists of one-third of the Delegates attending the WSC. A panel is elected for a three-year term and the panels are staggered.
RIAFG	Rhode Island Al-Anon Family Groups
Task Force	Temporary unit of people established to work on a single defined task or activity. They are the doers.
TEAM Event	Together Empowering Al-Anon Members. A day-long event between an Area and the WSO for members to learn more about service and the Al-Anon program.
Thought Force	Temporary unit to research ideas and possibilities. These are the thinkers.
WSC	World Service Conference
WSO	World Service Office