

Carrying the *Forum* Message to doctors!

Excerpt from Area Highlights Spring 2000.

Along with the sponsor *Forum* subscriptions to professionals an area composed the following letter to send to physicians who will be receiving subscriptions. This is a great idea an individual can do for their own Doctor and send anonymously if they choose.

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Dear Ms or Sir:

As part of a community awareness project Al-Anon/Alateen, one of your patients has requested that you receive a year's subscription to *The Forum*, a monthly magazine written by and for our members. We ask only that you and your staff read the publication and then places it in the magazine rack of your waiting room.

Al-Anon Family Groups, which includes Alateen, has been in existence for over 50 years as a community resource providing support to those affected by someone else's drinking. We who are family members of the alcoholic have experienced physical and emotional stresses, which, often, our physicians and even we the patients were unaware of. We believe you will be doing yourself and your patients a great service by making this publication available to them.

You will be receiving a copy of *The Forum* each month for one year. You will not be placed on any other mailing list.

If you would like more information about Al-Anon and/or Alateen, please call you local Al-Anon information center at \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your support.

In gratitude

Your patient and the A I-Anon Family Groups of \_\_\_\_\_

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Great letter that can be customized to suit individual tastes... Thanks Maryland and DC for the great idea.