



## MCRUD Membership Policy

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The prevention and reduction of underage alcohol use is a goal shared by many communities, agencies, organizations and individuals. For this reason, Steering Committee meetings and standing or ad hoc committee meetings are open to the public and members of the public are welcome and encouraged to take part in any discussions. Anyone may receive an electronic notice of meetings by signing up to be part of the MCRUD Network.

The Steering Committee for MCRUD is made up of MCRUD's most active participants and functions as its leadership group. In order to be a member a participant must sign the MCRUD Agreement, attend one Steering Committee meeting per quarter, and be available for referral as a MCRUD resource. Members have a vote at Steering Committee meetings, receive minutes, and receive an invitation to Prevention Network and MCRUD special events, such as PN's Annual Awards Lunch and MCRUD's annual summer birthday celebration.

When it occurs that more than one member from the same local group are present at meetings at least quarterly, and that group has signed the MCRUD Agreement, each member who attends at least once per quarter will be allowed to have a vote. Thus it is possible that one organization represented at Steering Committee meetings may have more than one vote, based on the number of members who individually meet membership criteria.

When a person who represents one organization changes based on that group's ability to attend, and the group has signed the MCRUD Agreement, and they are represented at least quarterly, that organization will be allowed one vote, regardless of who the representative is.

Any person at any time may request to have an item added to the Steering Committee agenda. The Steering Committee will then determine if the topic will be discussed, whether at that meeting or a future meeting, based on attendance at the meeting, the length the discussion will likely take, and if staff need to mail information out to the Steering Committee and the MCRUD Network prior to the discussion taking place.

Please also refer to the policy for involvement with and interaction between the Michigan Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking and the alcohol industry.