



The Youth Advisory Council Application is OPEN!!





ummmm... what is the YAC?

The "YAC" or Youth Advisory Council is a state-wide youth council consisting of 10th-12th graders who are interested in substance misuse prevention or coalition work. The YAC is an opportunity for youth to discuss hopes and concerns, build leadership skills, and organize a leadership opportunity.

Our 2023-2024 Youth Advisory Council had the opportunity to help lead our Annual Youth Coalition Development Leadership Retreat, attend the CADCA National Leadership Forum, complete a photovoice project in their community, and are continuing to complete other projects!

YAC Participation and Guidelines

Who's Eligible:

- Students 10th-12th Grade who are interested in substance misuse prevention and coalition work.

Benefits:

- Gain experience facilitating events and leadership opportunities.
- Participate in Leadership Development.
- Discuss youth-related substance use issues.
- Gain resources and knowledge to bring to local coalitions.
- Network with other Youth Coalition Members across the State.
- Gain Professional References and Recommendations.

Commitment:

- Application Acceptance - May 20th, 2025
- One Welcome YAC Youth Leadership Training
- 10 Virtual Monthly Meet-Up's
- Help to facilitate one In-Person Youth Retreat
- Organize and complete a Project with Youth Advisory Council members

YAC Photovoice
Example

YAC
Flyer

YAC Permission
Slip

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Upcoming Events, Trainings, and More!

Substance Use and Other Risk Factors for Gun Violence: Prevention and Intervention Strategies
March 12, 10:00 AM–11:30 PM CT

We Serve Too! Increasing Resiliency in Military-Connected Youth
April 11, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM CT

MCRUD Shoalition
April 23rd, 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM ET, Lansing, MI

Save the Date: Inaugural Michigan SUD Prevention Coalitions Conference, Novi, Michigan, Thursday, July 25, 2023.

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: Michigan SUD Prevention Coalitions Conference [Click here for the form!](#) Youth encouraged to apply!

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Come to our
March
MYCN Meeting!

MYCN Meetings are every third Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 pm!

Join Zoom Meeting
[https://preventionnetwork-org.zoom.us/j/84615680899?
pwd=yrgzeAomcafajJ0qsC9s6zKY9ltoZ3.1](https://preventionnetwork-org.zoom.us/j/84615680899?pwd=yrgzeAomcafajJ0qsC9s6zKY9ltoZ3.1)

Meeting ID: 846 1568 0899

Share what you're doing so we can highlight you!

Does your youth have a cool project they're working on? A resource you created? A training you attended? Share it with us so we can highlight you in our monthly newsletter!

Highlight your Coalition Form!

Questions, Comments, Concerns?

Please feel free to reach out to me at shelbies@preventionnetwork.org!

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