



Michigan Youth Coalition Network Monthly Newsletter

As we start the journey of FY26, I have taken time to reflect on the successes of FY25. I want to sincerely thank everyone that has supported MYCN through attending monthly meetings, joining the Youth Lead We Listen Webinar Series, and partnering with us for educating youth coalitions. The work of youth coalitions is vital, and what YOU do is important and not overlooked by me. I am excited to continue the hard work this fiscal year, support youth coalitions, and educate youth on the power that they have in prevention.

THANK YOU!

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October News....

1. **October is Substance Use & Misuse Prevention Month**, SAMHSA invites anyone to share their prevention story. Prevention month is an important time to showcase how prevention WORKS and has a positive impact. For more information and the 2025 toolkit [Click Here!](#)
2. Session 2 and 3 of the Youth Lead We Listen webinar series was recorded and is available to watch [Here](#).
3. **OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH:** Prevention Network's Youth Advisory Council (YAC) is accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year. The goal for this years YAC is to provide a space for youth working on substance misuse prevention to network with each other while gaining education and information on upcoming opportunities. [Apply Here!](#)
4. **Registration is open for the 33rd Annual PAM conference!** The PAM Conference provides attendees with learning opportunities about relevant issues, programs, and resources related to parents and families. [Register Here!](#)

Upcoming Events, Trainings, and More!

Happening Tomorrow!

- October 7: 12pm-1pm, **Youth Tobacco and Cannabis Use: What are they using, Why are we concerned, and What can we do**

Presenter:

Bonnie Halpern-Felsher, Ph.D., FSAHM

Adolescents and young adults continue to use nicotine and THC, with newer forms of e-cigarettes and cannabis infiltrating the market. This presentation will provide detailed information on these substances, including rates of use, nicotine and THC levels, addiction, and other health effects, as well as marketing of these products. The presentation will also provide information on reasons for adolescent use of these products, including flavors, appeal, marketing, perceived reduced harm, stress, anxiety, depression, and misperceptions.

[**Register Here!**](#)

Check out these upcoming Great Lakes PTTC Webinars!

- October 28: 10am-11:30am, **Prevention 101: Building Your Foundation in Substance Misuse Prevention**
- November 4: 10am-11:30am, **Unlock Sustainable Funding: Leveraging Individual Donor Development for Substance Misuse Prevention**

To Register for these webinars and check out other PTTC training opportunities [**Click Here**](#)

Come to Our October MYCN Meeting

MYCN meetings are every third Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m.-12:00 pm!

Join Zoom Meeting link:

[**MYCN Monthly Zoom Meeting**](#)

Meeting ID: 546 078 9269

Passcode: 253461

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!

Please tell us what you want to see discussed in our monthly MYCN meetings!

[*Click here to submit your ideas!*](#)

Questions, Comments, Concerns?

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