



Youth M.O.V.E. National Board of Directors Application 2010

Youth MOVE National Vision Statement

We the members of Youth MOVE National envision a system of care in which every young person that enters any youth-serving system is successfully prepared for life. We help guide the redevelopment of the system so that no youth falls thru the cracks. We advocate for youth to utilize their power to foster change in their communities and in their own lives. Youth MOVE National works toward the day when all people will recognize and accept the culture of youth, their families, and the communities that serve them in order to be truly culturally-competent. Youth MOVE National looks forward to the day when youth are no longer treated as numbers, problems or caseloads, but as individuals and humans. We will all stand as partners: youth, youth advocates, supporters, parents, and professionals to see our youth become successful.

Youth MOVE National Mission Statement

We the members of Youth MOVE National will work as a diverse collective to unite the voices and causes of youth while raising awareness around youth issues. We will advocate for youth rights and voice in mental health and other systems that service them, in the process of empowering youth to be equal partners in the process of change.

Interested in applying for the Youth M.O.V.E. National Board?

Then this form is for you. After reading about how the application process works, remove the application form included inside and read through it carefully. Think carefully about the duties and responsibilities of being on a board of directors. If you feel you would make a valuable contribution to the Youth M.O.V.E. National Board please apply. Tell us about yourself on the application form provided, and email, fax or mail it in.

How many members can be on the Board of Directors?

The Board can have no fewer than twelve (12) and not more than twenty-one (21) Board Members. The Board must include the positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Who is represented on the Board?

Representation on the Youth M.O.V.E. National Board shall be made up of 60% Youth (18-25 years of age) with experience in the mental health, juvenile justice, special education, and/or child welfare systems, which are active in their community and interested in supporting Youth M.O.V.E. National's mission. Other seats are open for any other person, regardless of age, that agree to and uphold the Mission and Vision of Youth MOVE National.

How long do members serve on the Board?

The Directors-at-Large shall be elected by current Board members for a term of two (2) years. Except for the Immediate Past President, no person shall serve on the Board for more than two (2) full consecutive terms.

What happens if an Officer of the Board leaves his or her position before their term expires?

If the office of any Director becomes vacant for any reason, a quorum of the remaining Directors may choose a successor for the unexpired term of such Directors. In addition, Board Members who have three unexcused absences at Board meetings will be removed. A member may be removed from office at any time without assigning cause by unanimous vote of the Board.

How often are Board meetings held?

The Youth M.O.V.E. National Board meets on the second Saturday of every other month via conference call, using a line provided by the Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health. Twice a year, the board meets in-person for Face to Face meetings.

Is there any financial compensation for being on the Board?

Members will receive a stipend for time spent on bi-monthly conference calls and face-to-face meetings. Other expenses will be covered as incurred (travel, meals and lodging), which are not paid for otherwise. All reasonable and necessary childcare costs will also be covered.

What are the Officer positions on the Board?

The Officers of the Board consist of the following:

Chairman	Vice Chairman
Secretary	Treasurer

Officers are elected for a term of two years or until their successors are elected.

How does the application process work?

There are five (5) steps to the application and selection process of incoming Board members.

1. Each year, the Youth M.O.V.E. National director will publish a Board application kit.
2. Nominations will be accepted until a time determined by the board. The 2010 deadline is: July 1, 2010.
3. Youth MOVE National Board Members will review applications and vote for nominees on or before July 14, 2010. The board reserves the right to request interviews with nominees as they may deem necessary.
4. The Youth MOVE National Chair Member will contact applicants selected to serve on the board and offer the applicant a position.
5. Once an applicant has accepted a position on the board they will be invited to attend the next face-to-face meeting, where they will be sworn-in as a Youth MOVE National Board Member.

What is expected of Youth M.O.V.E. Board Members?

Board meetings– Board members are expected to participate in one (1) conference call every other month and two (2) face to face meetings a year. The board will meet each year prior to the Annual Conference of the National Federation of Families for Children’s Mental Health. The other meeting will be held concurrently with another National Meeting (e.g. System of Care Community Meeting, Georgetown Training Institutes, Inc.) to be determined by the board.

Committee work – Board members are required to spend between five to ten hours per month on committee work. All Board members must serve on at least two committees. Current committees include:

- Executive
- Resource Development
- Finance
- Membership

Send us your application!

Now that you know how the process works and what is expected, you may apply to the Youth MOVE National Board. If you have additional questions about what is involved in serving on the Youth MOVE National Board, call the Youth MOVE National Director, Cindy Bustillo, at (240) 403-1901 or send an email to cbustillo@ffcmh.org

Youth MOVE National Board of Directors Application Form 2010

To apply to the Youth MOVE National Board of Directors, complete this form and email, mail or fax to:

Youth MOVE National Board Application
Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health
9605 Medical Center Drive, Suite 281
Rockville, Maryland 20850
Fax: (240) 403-1909
Email : cbustillor@ffcmh.org

Please mark **CONFIDENTIAL** on the outside of the envelope or fax. The information on this form is for the sole use of Youth MOVE National and is considered confidential. **Applications must be postmarked by July 1, 2010.**

1. Applicants Contact Information:

Name:
Address:
City:
State:
Zip:
Telephone:
Cell:
Fax:
Email Address:

Family Youth (18-25) Professional *(Check all that apply)*

2. Do you agree to the Board expectations outlined in this application?

Yes No Unsure

3. Please indicate any of your special attributes which would enhance the diversity of the Youth M.O.V.E. Board. (please fill out on a separate sheet of paper)

4. Please tell us how your involvement on the Board would help strengthen the organization. (IE. Grant writing, strategic planning, policy development, ECT.) (please fill out on a separate sheet of paper)

5. Please describe your skills and strengths include any previous committee/board experience at the local, state or national level. (please fill out on a separate sheet of paper)

6. System Involvement: *(check all that apply)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare | <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LGBTQI2-S | <input type="checkbox"/> Residential | <input type="checkbox"/> Runaway/Homeless | <input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse |

7. Please provide the contact information for two references:

Reference One Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:

Reference Two Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:

8. Please attach any resumes, letters of recommendation or previous work experience to this application.

THANK YOU AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWING YOUR APPLICATION!

