



Maryland Up the Age to 21

My Organization supports prohibiting the sale of tobacco products to anyone under the age of 21.

- In Maryland, 2,500 kids become daily smokers every year. And one-third of them will die prematurely as a result.
- About 95 percent of adult smokers began smoking before age 21. The ages of 18 to 21 are a critical time when many smokers move from experimental smoking to regular, daily use.
- Raising the tobacco sales age to 21 will reduce smoking and save lives by helping keep tobacco out of high schools.
- Nicotine is addictive, and youth and young adults are more susceptible to its effects because their brains are still developing.

Organization _____

Lead Contact Name _____ email _____

Title _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Do you have staff who can assist with any of the following?

Communications/Media _____ email _____

Social Media _____ email _____

Grassroots/ Outreach _____ email _____

Lobbying _____ email _____

Our organization agrees to participate in the activities marked below: *(Please check off)*

- ◇ List as a coalition member.
- ◇ List our organization as a supporter only.
- ◇ Inform our members about the issue via email, social media, webpage, and or newsletters, etc.
- ◇ Have a representative attend meetings and calls.
- ◇ Collect stories of those individuals who have been helped by tobacco control programs.
- ◇ Educate and meet with the Governor and Members of the Maryland General Assembly.
- ◇ Testify at hearings in the House and Senate Committees.
- ◇ Participate in local events to raise awareness.
- ◇ Recruit others to get involved.

- ◇ Send email alerts urging our staff or members to contact their state lawmakers.
- ◇ Author or sign letters to the editor in support of legislation.

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