



Eat Smart, Move More NC

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I: Name, Mission and Purpose

Section 1: Name

The group shall be known as "Eat Smart, Move More NC."

Section 2: Mission

The mission of Eat Smart, Move More NC is to guide the Eat Smart, Move More NC movement in reversing the rising tide of obesity and chronic disease among North Carolinians by helping them to eat smart, move more and achieve a healthy weight.

Section 3: Purpose

The purpose of Eat Smart, Move More NC is to provide a venue where partners across North Carolina working in physical activity and healthy eating collaborate to promote, support and provide guidance to the Eat Smart, Move More NC movement. Eat Smart, Move More NC works to change policies, practices, and environments to make eating smart and moving more possible for all North Carolina citizens.

ARTICLE II: Membership

Section 1: Eligibility

Membership shall be open to any individual, organization, business, agency, coalition or non-profit that supports the mission and purpose of the Eat Smart, Move More NC movement. All members attend Eat Smart, Move More NC meetings.

Section 2: Application

Individuals or organizations wishing to become members shall submit an Individual or Organization Membership Application to the Coordinator. The applications may be reviewed by the Eat Smart, Move More NC Executive Committee. The applicant shall receive a copy of these bylaws upon membership.

Membership will be open to all who share in the purpose of Eat Smart, Move More NC.

Section 3: Roles and Responsibilities

All decisions are made by consensus of the members of Eat Smart, Move More NC. Members are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that best represents the Eat Smart, Move More NC mission. If any member's actions are found to be inconsistent with the mission and purpose of Eat Smart, Move More NC or if any member falsely claims endorsement of an organization, business, service, product or the like by Eat Smart, Move More NC their membership may be revoked. Any member who feels another member has violated the mission and purpose of Eat Smart, Move More NC can bring the issue to the attention of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will review the information, and if warranted, will determine appropriate action.

ARTICLE III: Executive Committee

Section 1: Number

The Executive Committee will consist of eight (8) members: Chair, Vice Chair, Past Chair, Members at Large (4), and the Coordinator.

Section 2: Nominations

The nominee(s) shall be current and active members. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for producing a slate of candidates for election annually.

Section 3: Election

Elections will be held when needed based on Vice Chair and/or Members at Large completing their terms. Elections will be held during a regular meeting of the ESMM NC. Vice Chair and Members at Large shall be elected by consensus of Eat Smart, Move More NC. A vote will be taken if needed. The Chair position is assumed by the Vice Chair. The Coordinator is a non-voting member from the Community and Clinical Connections for Prevention and Health Branch (CCCPH), NC Division of Public Health, and serves as staff to the Executive Committee. Each elected Executive Committee member will serve a two-year term.

Section 4: Powers and Duties of the Executive Committee

The powers and duties of the Executive Committee shall consist of, but not be limited to, the following: ensure that Eat Smart, Move More NC operates in accordance with these bylaws, devise and execute such measures as they deem proper to promote the purpose of the Eat Smart, Move More NC, convene Ad Hoc Committees as needed and call and hold all regular and special meetings of the Eat Smart, Move More NC and the Executive Committee at such places and times as deemed proper. Should circumstances arise that require immediate response, the Executive Committee may act on behalf of Eat Smart, Move More NC in accordance with the stated mission and purpose of the Eat Smart, Move More NC.

Section 5: Vacancies

Vacancies may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee for the unexpired term. In the case of a tie, the Coordinator will vote to break the tie. In case of a vacancy of the Chair, the Vice Chair will assume the role of Chair for the remaining period of the vacated position and continue service through the scheduled term as chair.

ARTICLE IV: Committees

Section 1: Ad-Hoc Committees

Ad-Hoc Committees may be appointed by the Chair with input from the Executive Committee to perform specific tasks as needed by Eat Smart, Move More NC. A member of the Executive Committee shall be assigned to each Ad-Hoc Committee and shall report the committee's progress at Executive Committee or Eat Smart, Move More NC meetings. The Executive Committee representative to the Ad-Hoc Committee may or may not be the chair of the Ad-Hoc Committee. Ad-Hoc Committee membership will be made up of members who have the skills needed for the specific committee. Every effort will be made to select committee members that allow for the most individual and organization members to participate.

ARTICLE V: Meetings

Section 1: Executive Committee Meetings

The Executive Committee shall meet at least four (4) times per year. A quorum of Executive Committee members will be constituted by a majority of the Executive Committee members in attendance for any Executive Committee meeting.

Section 2: Eat Smart, Move More NC Meetings

Eat Smart, Move More NC meetings will be held multiple times each year with the date, location and form (e.g. in-person, virtual) of the meetings to be determined by the Executive Committee.

Section 3: Parliamentary Procedure

In the absence of rules specified in these bylaws, all proceedings of Eat Smart, Move More NC and Executive Committee shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

Section 4: Amendments to Bylaws

These bylaws may be amended, altered and repealed, and new bylaws may be adopted at any regular or special meeting of Eat Smart, Move More NC.

