

Maryland Cancer Collaborative

Policy Ground Rules

The Maryland Cancer Collaborative:

- **WILL** prioritize issues from the Maryland Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan.
- **WILL** follow the Maryland Cancer Collaborative communications process for any policy related communications, including seeking approval from the Steering Committee.
- **WILL** have a designated spokesperson, approved by the Collaborative Chair, for policy related issues.
- **WILL** educate the public and policy makers, via the designated spokesperson, about cancer control issues **WITHOUT** taking a position on specific legislation or regulations.

Education efforts may include:

- Meeting with policy makers to talk about cancer control issues, data, or reports
 - Writing letters or emails to policy makers regarding cancer control issues, data, or reports
- **WILL** respect the legislative and regulatory agendas set by individual Collaborative organizations.
 - **WILL NOT** directly support or oppose specific legislation or regulations.