

MEDICAL ETHICS RESOURCE NETWORK (MERN) OF MICHIGAN

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CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP

- **STUDENT** **DUES:** \$15/year **VOTES:** 1

Student membership entitles the member to full voting status as a member of MERN and the opportunity to attend the MERN Annual Meeting at a reduced rate. Student members receive MERN's newsletter, *Ethics-In-Formation*.

- **INDIVIDUAL** **DUES:** \$40/year **VOTES:** 1

Individual membership at the \$40 level entitles the member to full voting status as a member of MERN and the opportunity to attend the MERN Annual Meeting and the MERN Intensive Workshop at a special reduced member rate. Individual members also receive MERN's newsletter, *Ethics-In-Formation*, including an update on important medical ethical issues, with special emphasis on applicability to the Michigan scene. (This newsletter will be compiled from items on the MERN web site, particularly for the use of those who do not have web access.)

- **INSTITUTIONAL** **DUES:**

Less than 150 beds:	\$250/year	VOTES: 4
150 – 350 beds:	\$500/year	VOTES: 7
More than 350 beds:	\$750/year	VOTES: 10

Institutional membership is open to any institution involved in health care, including academic institutions. The number of designated members from the institution is unlimited and these designees will enjoy all privileges afforded to Individual members, with the exception of voting rights, which will be designated as shown above.

- **NON-HOSPITAL INSTITUTIONAL** **DUES:** \$100/year **VOTES:** 2

The non-hospital institutional category is designed specifically for nursing homes, hospices and small universities and colleges. Non-hospital membership is similar to Institutional membership with two exceptions: non-hospital members are limited to four newsletters per issue and two votes.

- **INSTITUTIONAL GROUP RATE** **DUES:** rate discounted 40% **VOTES:** same

Groups of health care institutions, such as all the hospitals or long-term care facilities associated with Trinity, are eligible for a 40% discount from posted dues, but all members of the group must join as a group for the group rate.

