

1. Why is the Alliance making changes to its membership cycle?

We are transitioning to strengthen overall efficiency, improve member engagement, and align our membership cycle with organizational programming and financial planning.

Making this change will also simplify our membership renewal process, ensure consistent benefits, align programming, and strengthen community connections among members.

2. Who is affected by the transition?

All current members, prospective members, partners, and organizational representatives will be transitioned to an annual membership cycle by DATE.

3. When will the transition take place?

The new membership year structure will begin January 1, 2026. Members will receive advance notifications with key dates and renewal instructions.

4. How will the transition impact my current membership?

Your existing membership will remain active until your expiration date. If you do not know your membership renewal date, you can contact the Programs & Membership Associate at 601-968-0061 Ext 123 or delorean.king@alliancems.org.

5. Will dues be prorated if I join mid-year?

Yes. The Alliance will prorate dues monthly based on the number of months remaining in the membership year. For example, if you start or renew your membership in July, you will be invoiced for 50% of your annual membership fee.

6. Where can I find the most up-to-date information about the transition?

We will share any additional updates about changes to our membership cycles on our website at alliancems.org. The Programs & Membership Associate will send periodic updates via email to share important updates.

7. How do I renew my membership during the transition?

During the transition period, you can renew your membership by mail, by responding to email renewal reminders, or by contacting the Programs & Membership Associate to request an invoice.

8. How do I update my contact information?

Current members can log in to their online profile at [URL] to update contact

information. You can also email the membership team directly to update your information. If your organization's information is incorrect on your invoice, you can correct the information on the invoice mailed to you and return it with payment.

9. Who can I contact if I have questions or need help?

If you have any questions about this transition or need assistance updating your contact information, contact:

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