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TCN News

News and announcements from the Tobacco Control Network

TCN Announcements

- TCN announced a new executive committee for the 2017-2018 TCN term via email on Sept. 26. The Executive Committee will start its term next week.
- Program managers and Funders Alliance leads should be sure to complete the brief survey last emailed on Aug. 28 to help TCN assess its implementation of the [2016-2019 Strategic Map](#).
- Program managers and Funders Alliance leads are invited to join the [TCN Forum](#), a password-protected section of the TCN website, to engage in dialogue with other tobacco peers. Please see the [Forum How-To Guide](#) for more information.

Circulating Help Your Peers Request

Community Asset Mapping Tool

Deadline: Sep. 28

Do any states know of a community asset mapping tool that can be used in smoke-free policy work? Tools and examples of them being utilized would be appreciated.

If you have any information to share or know someone who

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Upcoming Events

[Research on Health Impacts of E-cigarettes & What We Should All Know](#) – Counter Tools
Sep. 28, 12-1 PM
ET|Registration Required

[Text Messaging for Hispanic Health: Smoking Cessation and HPV Vaccination Reminder Services](#) – Nuestras Voces
Sep. 29, 2-3 PM
ET|Registration Required

[Tobacco Cessation Coverage Policy 101](#) – American Lung Association
Oct. 4, 2-3 PM ET|Registration Required

[Tobacco Disparities in the U.S.](#) – Truth Initiative
Washington, DC

does, please reply to tcn@astho.org and we will forward your response to the person who submitted the request.

Partner Announcements

- **FDA** released a [revised final guidance](#) regarding the Sep. 30 compliance deadline for the regulation of some tobacco products as initially outlined in the FDA final deeming rule.
- **CDC** published a new plain-language informational [webpage](#) on e-cigarettes to educate the public on its prevalence and health impacts.
- **NACCHO** published a series of local success stories overviewing how three local health departments—[Public Health Solutions \(NE\)](#), [Sioux Falls, SD](#), and [Utah County, UT](#)—leveraged [CDC Tips@](#) campaign resources to deliver tobacco-free messaging to different communities.
- **Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids** added new tax-related [factsheets](#) to their U.S. state and local taxes resource page.
- The [Cancer Progress Report](#) released by the **American Association for Cancer Research** notes that significant reductions in adult cigarette smoking are largely responsible for the 38.7 percent reduction in lung cancer observed between 2000 and 2015.
- The **National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors** released a new [policy statement](#) in support of tobacco cessation treatment in all behavioral health settings.
- The Washington University **Center for Public Health Systems Science** updated its online [Program Sustainability Assessment Tool](#), which can be used to evaluate tobacco control interventions.

Oct. 10, 11:30 AM - 2 PM
ET|*Registration Required*

[Finding New Financing for Tobacco Cessation & Cancer Prevention Efforts](#) – National Behavioral Health Network
Oct. 11, 3-4 PM
ET|*Registration Required*

[How to Think – Not Feel – About Tobacco Harm Reduction](#) – University of California San Francisco
Oct. 18, 1-2:30 PM
ET|*Registration Required*

[Tobacco Cessation and Smokefree Public Housing](#) – American Lung Association and MD Anderson
Oct. 18, 2-3:30 PM
ET|*Registration Required*

[Creating the Healthiest Nation: Climate Changes Health: APHA 2017 Annual Meeting & Expo](#) – American Public Health Association
Atlanta, GA
Nov. 4-8|*Registration Required*

[Smoking Cessation and Reduction in Pregnancy Treatment \(SCRIPT®\) Training Workshop](#) – Society for Public Health Education
Washington, DC
Dec. 4|*Registration Required*

[It's About a Billion Lives](#) – University of California San Francisco
San Francisco, CA
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM PT, Feb. 2, 2018|*Save the Date*

[Agents of Change Summit 2018: The Science and Technology of Behavior Change](#) – Rescue: The Behavior Change Agency
San Diego, CA
Feb. 12-13, 2018|*Registration Required*

State News

- Clearway Minnesota published three community engagement [case studies](#) that describe how local stakeholders have connected diverse low socioeconomic status smokers in **Minnesota** to tobacco cessation services.
- A [bill](#) restricting the use of tobacco and marijuana products on beaches and state parks in **California** has been sent to the desk of Gov. Jerry Brown after approval by both branches of the state legislature.

In the News

- Over 100 international health organizations wrote a [letter](#) to Philip Morris International CEO Andre Calantzopoulos encouraging immediate cease of production and sale of cigarettes worldwide.
- A [study](#) published in *Cancer Cell* [identified](#) epigenetic lung changes that may help explain how cigarette smoke directly causes mutations known to cause lung cancer.

Research

- A *Nicotine and Tobacco Research* [investigation](#) of 12 tobacco product websites concluded that attributes like age verification techniques, interactive content, and content themes differed based on the type of tobacco product being promoted.
- A [cross-sectional study](#) of 25 addiction treatment facilities published in *Drug and Alcohol Dependence* concluded that facilities with tobacco-free policies in place were associated with less client and staff smoking, as well as increased delivery of

[13th National Reduce Tobacco Use Conference](#) – Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth
Norfolk, VA
Apr. 10-11, 2018|*Save the Date*

[Clearing the Air: An Institute for Policy Advocacy, XI](#) – American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation
Ridgedale, MO
May 1-3, 2018|*Registration Required*

Funding Opportunities

If you know of any tobacco-related funding opportunities that may appeal to a state and territorial tobacco control audience, please reach out to tcn@astho.org.

[2017 Tobacco-Free College Program for Community Colleges and Minority-Serving Institutions](#)

Deadline: Oct. 11

Truth Initiative is launching its new Tobacco-Free College Program, which offers 17-month grants of up to \$20,000 to community colleges and minority-serving institutions to adopt a 100 percent tobacco-free college policy. Grantees receive guidance through webinars, learning communities, and one-on-one consultations throughout the grant period.

Job Listings

[Research Analyst](#)
[California Department of Public Health](#)
[Sacramento, CA](#)

[Health Program Coordinator](#)
[Monterey County Health Department](#)

cessation services.

- According to an *American Journal of Public Health* [analysis](#) of Population Assessment of Tobacco and Health study data, cigarette and smokeless tobacco use was significantly higher in rural areas of the United States in 2013 and 2014, while cigarillo and hookah use was higher in urban areas.

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[Nashville, TN](#)

About the Tobacco Control Network

The TCN's mission is to improve the public's health by providing education and state-based expertise to tobacco prevention and control at the state and national levels.

The TCN is a network of tobacco program managers and staff from state and territorial health departments as well as Funder's Alliance organizations, and a peer group of the [Association of State and Territorial Health Officials](#) (ASTHO) on behalf of the CDC's Office on Smoking and Health.

About ASTHO

The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials is the national nonprofit association representing the state and territorial public health agencies of the United States, the U.S.

Territories, and the District of Columbia. ASTHO members, the chief health officials of these jurisdictions, are dedicated to formulating and influencing sound public health policy and to ensuring excellence in state-based public health practice.



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