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TCN News

News and announcements from the Tobacco Control Network

TCN Announcements

- A new video series is now available on the [Resources tab](#) of the TCN website. Step-by-step walk-through videos detailing [TCN Policy Recommendations](#) and the [TCN Forum](#) are currently available.
- Program managers and Funders Alliance leads are encouraged to complete the brief survey last emailed on Aug. 28 to help TCN assess its implementation of the [2016-2019 Strategic Map](#). In addition, please join the [TCN Forum](#), a password-protected section of the TCN website, to engage in dialogue and share new resources with colleagues. Please see the [Forum How-To Guide](#) and [How-To video](#) for more information.

Circulating Help Your Peers Request

Tobacco Law Promotional Mailer

Deadline: Nov. 16

Has anyone created promotional mailers about tobacco laws to educate city and/or state residents? If so, did you find that mailer to be effective?

*The biweekly **TCN News** provides a concise digest of tobacco control announcements to the Tobacco Control Network's membership base of tobacco control program managers and additional staff from each state, territory, and D.C., as well as our valued partners.*

Upcoming Events

[How to Make the Most Out of the Tobacco Companies' Corrective Statements](#) – Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids
Nov. 17, 2-3 PM
ET|Registration Required

[Bambi Meets Godzilla: Addressing Young Adult Tobacco Use](#) – Smoking Cessation Leadership Center
Nov. 29, 1-2 PM
ET|Registration Required

[Traditional Tobacco](#) – National Native Network
Nov. 29, 3-4 PM
ET|Registration Required

[Crafting Richer Public Health Messages: Messaging and the Five Essential Public Health Law Services](#) – Network for

Nonclinical Cessation Promotion

Deadline: Nov. 21

Do states have any recommendations for nonclinical interventions or strategies for promoting cessation in communities? Are there any promising practices for building capacity for cessation in community settings?

Smoke-Free Campgrounds Enforcement

Deadline: Nov. 21

North Carolina would like to connect with or garner information from parks with campgrounds that are tobacco- or smoke-free to assess how they enforce their policy if they are open 24/7. North Carolina would also like to know to what extent – if any – have campgrounds had issues around their policies, and learn about the positive aspects of their policies (e.g., cleaner grounds).

If you have any information to share or know someone who does, please reply to tcn@astho.org and we will forward your response to the person who submitted the request.

Partner Announcements

- A new **CDC MMWR** contains updated tobacco use prevalence data stratified by employment industry and occupation.
- **American Lung Association** posted a [recording](#) of their recent webinar on cessation resources for residents in multi-unit housing. Additional [resources](#), including factsheets, an online course, and an educational video can be found on their website.
- **Healthy People 2020** released [updated infographics](#) tracking progress on key tobacco use goals.

Public Health Law
Nov. 30, 1-2:30 PM
ET|*Registration Required*

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

[Crafting Richer Public Health Messages: Lessons and Examples for State and Local Advocacy](#) – Network for Public Health Law
Dec. 14, 1-2:30 PM
ET|*Registration Required*

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

[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

- A full [recording and written summary](#) of the recent **Truth Initiative** Warner Series event on geographic tobacco disparities in the United States is now available.
- **FDA Center for Tobacco Products** made a number of announcements, including a [deadline extension](#) for tobacco manufacturers located in areas impacted by natural disasters, new information on reporting tobacco product [quality issues](#), and a new tobacco retailer [education program](#).
- **Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health** published a [webcast](#) recording detailing **FDA's** proposal to reduce nicotine levels in cigarettes, featuring FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb and Center for Tobacco Products Director Mitch Zeller.

State News

- A [new bill](#) signed into law in **New York** restricts e-cigarette use in public indoor places by treating e-cigarettes the same as combustible tobacco products.
- A **Florida** appeals court [upheld](#) a \$35 million verdict against Philip Morris USA and RJ Reynolds in connection to a lung cancer death.
- A [policy](#) that will eliminate the sales of menthol cigarettes in convenience stores of St. Paul, **Minnesota** has passed city council.

[Tobacco-Free Generation Campus Initiative \(TFGCI\) Grant Program](#)

Deadline: Jan. 15, 2018

The American Cancer Society Center for Tobacco Control launched a third request for proposals for the TFGCI grant program to provide grants to accelerate and expand the adoption and implementation of 100 percent smoke- and tobacco-free policies on college and university campuses across the nation. This initiative, which addresses a critical need and is being supported by the CVS Health Foundation, is part of their #BeTheFirst initiative, a five-year, \$50 million commitment to deliver the first tobacco-free generation.

Job Listings

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 Saint Paul, MN

[Research Assistant](#)
[Truth Initiative](#)
 Washington, D.C.

[Research Associate](#)
[Truth Initiative](#)
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[Chronic Disease Information Director \(Job ID 622349\)](#)
[Vermont Department of Health](#)
 Burlington, VA

[Public Affairs Manager](#)
[ClearWay Minnesota](#)
 Minneapolis, MN

[Advertising Specialist](#)
[UC Davis Medical Center](#)
 Sacramento, CA

[Research Analyst](#)
[California Department of](#)

In the News

- An [article](#) in *The Washington Post* overviews the topic of state tobacco taxes as a tobacco control measure, and describes how the tobacco industry makes increasing tobacco taxes difficult in some states.
- RJ Reynolds [filed](#) a substantial-equivalence application with FDA to allow its Eclipse heat-not-burn tobacco product to enter the U.S. market, arguing that it is similar to a previously available product.
- The [results](#) of a clinical trial [published](#) in *JAMA Internal Medicine* indicate that financial rewards can help encourage smokers quit, especially among those who are older, female, lower income, and nonwhite.

Research

- An [analysis](#) of smoke-free workplace data published in *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* found that the proportion of workers covered under a smoke-free workplace policy increased from 77.7 percent in 2003 to 82.8 percent in 2010-11, with increases occurring in only 21 states.
- An [analysis](#) of 2011-15 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey data published in *Medical Care* found that living in a state with Medicaid coverage of tobacco cessation was correlated with a 2.1 percent increase in the rate of smoking cessation.
- According to an [online experiment](#) of 14- to 17-year-olds published in *Tobacco Control*, fruit, sweet, and beverage flavors made electronic nicotine delivery system (ENDS) products significantly more appealing,

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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

especially for those who reported never using ENDS.

- A prospective [study](#) of 181 Los Angeles area adolescent e-cigarette users published in *JAMA Pediatrics* found that increasing nicotine concentration over time was associated with increasingly frequent use of both e-cigarettes and combustible cigarettes.
- A *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* [study](#) of middle and high school students from five Texas counties concluded that recall of e-cigarette marketing at baseline was positively correlated with e-cigarette use at six month follow-up.

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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