# **TCN News**

News and announcements from the Tobacco Control Network

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.

#### A Letter from the Chair

Dear TCN members,

Thank you for your patience over the past few months with the transition of staff support from TTAC to ASTHO.

We are happy to report that the <u>TCN website</u> is now being updated! Some important updates have already been made including archives of <u>Help Your Peers questions and responses</u>, the list of the <u>new Executive Leadership Committee</u> members, and our updated <u>bylaws</u>. During this transition we ask that you please take a look at the website. If you notice any outdated contact information for your state or organization please contact <u>Diana Karczmarczyk</u>.

In addition, we are happy to share the **TCN News** will resume. Based on your feedback last summer, this mailing will contain:

- News from the TCN (including circulating Help Your Peers requests, as needed)
- Funding announcements
- Partner announcements

## **Upcoming events**

Facebook Q & A on Vital Signs
Report - Secondhand Smoke CDC

February 18 | 2-3pm ET

National Public Health Week -American Public Health Association April 6-12

Webinar: Exploring the Use of Electronic Health Records to Support Tobacco Cessation and Million Hearts – Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) and the National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) April 13 | 1-2:30 PM ET [new date]

For a more comprehensive listing of upcoming state and national tobacco control and public health trainings and events, visit the <u>Public Health Events Calendar</u>, managed by the Emory Centers for Training and Technical Assistance.

#### Jobs

Tobacco Regulatory Science Fellowship

- State success stories
- In the News (brief summaries of news articles about tobacco efforts)
- Research
- Upcoming events
- Job postings

We heard that members wanted a newsletter that contains information that they are not getting from other sources. If you have any information that you would like to have included in an upcoming issues, please contact <u>Diana Karczmarczyk</u>.

Best.

Miranda Spitznagle

#### **TCN Chair**

Director, Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Commission of the Indiana State Department of Health

### **Partner Announcements**

Archived webinar: E-Cigarette Messages: Exploring Messages on E-Cigarettes Aimed at Women and Youth - ASTHO / Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs (AMCHP) / National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) / Children's Safety Network. This webinar explored messages that have been developed regarding the poisonous threat that e-cigarette liquids pose to young children and the negative effects that nicotine has on brain development in adolescents. Webinar recording, webinar slides, and more resources on e-cigarettes are now available.

"Left Swipe Dat" – Legacy. The new truth® campaign debuted on The Grammy Awards last weekend, and Legacy is asking partners to help promote the video on social media. For more ideas and resources, check out the online toolkits at toolkit.legacyforhealth.org; adult toolkit password: "Toolkit2015" and youth activist toolkit password: "LeftSwipe2015".

<u>Call for nominations: Unsung Heroes' Award</u> - American Lung
Association / The C. Everett Koop Institute. Please recognize your

Food and Drug Administration, Center for Tobacco Products FDA/CTP Rockville, MD

#### Program Manager II

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Lincoln, NE

# 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. Click here to learn more about the TCN.

The TCN is managed by the <u>Association of</u> <u>State and Territorial</u> <u>Health Officials</u> (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

colleagues, friends and heroes by nominating them for the Unsung Heroes' Award. Anyone working to end the tobacco epidemic in the United States is eligible.

Research

Journal supplement features Oklahoma's promising strategies to reduce tobacco use - American Journal of Preventive Medicine.

This January 2015 supplement, "Best Practices, Research, and Relationships—Oklahoma's Investment in Tobacco Control" spotlights the state's investments in community engagement, cessation initiatives, and health communication and prevention research. The publication was supported by the Oklahoma Tobacco Research Center (OTRC) with funding from the Oklahoma Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET) and logistical support from the Emory Centers for Training and Technical Assistance.

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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