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| Read on for announcements from the [Tobacco Control Network](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=eeb5f2e033&e=ac1061babb) (TCN) and our partners.  |

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| **Circulating Help Your Peers Requests**These are the current circulating Help Your Peers requests. **Integration of Tobacco Control Efforts with Chronic Disease****Deadline:** October 13, 2016Mississippi is looking for guidance (logic models, strategic plans, etc.) from states and programs regarding the integration of tobacco control programmatic activities with chronic disease efforts. Stories of successes and failures are appreciated.**A Smoker's Definition of "Quit on Your Own"****Deadline:** October 17, 2016Vermont is seeking information (ideally research) on what a smoker perceives as “quitting on their own.” Does that mean using online tools, texting support, visiting a website for resources, or none of the above? Vermont is in process of creating a strategy for smokers who prefer to “quit on their own,” and they hope to get more information – from the smoker’s point of view – about what that means.**How to Talk about Harm Reduction and E- Cigarettes with the HIV Community****Deadline:** October 25, 2016What states are taxing electronic smoking devices, and how are states taxing them?Michigan has not had the time to give appropriate thought and research to this question, and is wondering if TCN members have ever addressed this question. They would like to come up with a presentation, short paper, infographics, and/or posters for contractors. They have begun outreach to national partners, and will shortly begin outreach with community agencies.Overall, these are their thoughts:HIV Harm Reduction ≠ Substance Abuse Harm Reduction ≠ Tobacco Harm Reduction

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| **Evidence Base for Harm Reduction?** | **Why?** |
| Condoms – YES | * Protective of individual and others (public health benefit)
* Preserves potential to have sex (important facet of human life) without harm or reducing chance of harm to others
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| Needle Exchanges – YES | * Protective of individual and others
* Intent is to quit. Can do long term to protect others if individual “can’t” quit
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| Methadone – YES | * Protective of individual
* Intent is to quit
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| E-Cigarettes/Tobacco – NO | * **Not** protective of the individual or others
* Intent is to quit tobacco, but e-cigs shown to make quitting harder
* Nicotine replacement therapy available with intent to quit, but studies have shown long-term use is safe if individual does not quit nicotine addiction (e.g., President Obama and Nicorette)
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Ultimately their question is “How do you square the Hippocratic Oath with harm reduction?” Is the answer simply "We’re in the real world, and the Oath is the ideal?" Michigan would greatly appreciate any assistance the TCN can provide.If you have any information to share or know someone who does, please reply to *tcn@astho.org* and we will connect you with the person who submitted the request.  |

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| **Partner Announcements**[CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) Shares New State-Specific Adult Tobacco Use Data](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=14413fcf93&e=ac1061babb)CDC A new MMWR provides state-specific Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System data from 2014 on cigarette smoking and smokeless tobacco use. Prevalence of cigarette smoking, smokeless tobacco use, and any tobacco use among U.S. adults continues to vary widely by state, with cigarette smoking decreasing in many states and smokeless tobacco use remaining the same. Consistent with prior years, data found statistically significant racial and ethnic differences in adult tobacco use in many states and that men consistently use tobacco products more than women. [Factsheet on Smokeless Tobacco Use](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=368544b757&e=ac1061babb)Truth Initiative Truth Initiative released a factsheet highlighting smokeless tobacco use in the United States. It overviews the prevalence among adolescents and adults, marketing expenditures, health risks, and existing policies. National Youth Tobacco Survey data shows that the prevalence of smokeless tobacco use among adolescents and adults has been stable since 2002. Among people ages 12 and older, 3.3 percent are past 30-day smokeless tobacco users. Truth Initiative emphasized the need for additional support implementing policies surrounding flavored tobacco, marketing approaches, minimum age of purchase, and prohibiting internet sales. [Truth Initiative Featured on NBC’s Today Show](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=62add6ef6d&e=ac1061babb)Truth Initiative Truth Initiative was featured on NBC’s Today Show speaking on the impact of cigarette prevalence among youth. The feature highlighted Truth Initiative campaigns including clips from the campaign spots such as [Smoking Gap](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=fd567a10a9&e=ac1061babb), [Left Swipe Dat](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=08900934ad&e=ac1061babb), and [Squadless](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=1f55e82c06&e=ac1061babb). Their successful campaigns deliver facts about the health effects and social consequences of tobacco and the marketing tactics of the tobacco industry. They aim to provide young people information in order to make good decisions surrounding tobacco use. [SOPHE Releases Commit to Quit During and After Pregnancy DVD in Spanish](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=ecfc691b96&e=ac1061babb)SOPHE  In honor of National Hispanic/Latino Heritage Month, SOPHE is increasing access to resources that promote Hispanic health. The Smoking Cessation and Reduction in Pregnancy Treatment Program is pleased to release the Commit to Quit Smoking During and After Pregnancy DVD in Spanish. A major component of the SCRIPT program, this DVD is designed to educate pregnant women about the importance of quitting smoking. The video significantly reduces counseling time and provides best practice tools and skills to help pregnant smokers quit. Strong visual and personal messages about maternal, fetal, and infant risk, including testimonials of former pregnant smokers, are also included.  |

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| **State News** The Tobacco Control Network uses this section to reflect the great work occurring across states and territories in tobacco control. We encourage you to share useful tobacco control tools, programs, and resources your state has developed, as well as recent legislative achievements. If you would like to share your work, or nominate someone else to be recognized, please contact tcn@astho.org. [Proposition 56 Opponents Want Voters to “Follow the Money”­ (CA)](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=0663fd68fc&e=ac1061babb) – Los Angeles Times. In light of California’s initiative to raise tobacco sales tax by $2 per pack, the tobacco industry released a new television advertisement raising awareness on how and where the tobacco sales tax is being distributed throughout the state, claiming that doctor’s groups and insurance companies stand to gain financially from increased taxes. The California Legislative Analyst’s Office projected that Proposition 56 would raise $1.27 billion next year, with $710 million going to Medi-Cal, the state’s Medicare program, and $160 million going towards tobacco prevention and research. [Nevada Casino Workers Rally for a Smoke-Free Workplace (NV)](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=7a4e5a1cfe&e=ac1061babb) – National Public Radio. Smoke-Free Gaming of America organized a rally of casino workers and patrons in front of the Global Gaming Expo, being held at the Sands Expo and Convention Center is Las Vegas, protesting lack of protection against secondhand smoke in Las Vegas bars and casinos. The Nevada Clean Indoor Air Act, which went into effect in 2006, prohibits smoking in most public areas but exempts bars and casinos, along with convention facilities under certain circumstances.   |

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| **In the News**[Public Health Groups Sue FDA Over Delayed Graphic Cigarette Warnings](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=14112589d8&e=ac1061babb) – HealthDay. Eight public health organizations filed a lawsuit against FDA, alleging that FDA is in violation of federal law over inaction on the implementation of graphic warnings on cigarette packaging. The 2009 Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act required that FDA issue a rule on graphic warnings by 2011, which FDA did before being met with industry lawsuits. Subsequent court rulings struck down the specific proposed graphic warnings, but upheld the requirement for graphic warnings as described in the 2009 law. According to a Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids [press release](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=6d4b86c321&e=ac1061babb), the lawsuit alleges that FDA failed to propose new warnings despite promising to do so in 2013. [White House Conducts Final Review of FDA’s Rule on Tobacco Products](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=a4f0b56c02&e=ac1061babb) – The Hill. The White House is in the process of reviewing an FDA final rule first proposed in September 2015 that aims to clarify when FDA can regulate a product as a drug or device (e.g., nicotine gum) and when it can regulate a product as a tobacco product (e.g., e-cigarettes). In the proposed rule, FDA says it needs to help clarify for consumers when products containing nicotine are approved to treat nicotine dependence and when they’re intended for recreational use.  |

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| ****Research****[Vaping on Instagram: Cloud Chasing, Hand Checks, and Product Placement](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=57b977f984&e=ac1061babb) – Tobacco Control. **Key Findings:** Researchers classified 2,208 e-cigarette and vaping images and associated metadata from Instagram, a photo sharing social media platform with over 500 million users worldwide. Images were most likely to be classified into themes of advertisement, product, or activity, with activity and product being most likely to receive likes on the social media platform. Study authors call for additional research on data sources such as Instagram so that this content can inform health surveillance and educational campaigns. [One-Year Smoking Trajectories among Established Adult Smokers with Low Baseline Motivation to Quit](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=543a2eef68&e=ac1061babb) – Nicotine & Tobacco Research. **Key Findings:** This study sought to better understand smokers who are unmotivated to quit smoking in the near future through a series of nine surveys administered over the course of one year. Trajectory modeling indicated that 72 percent of study participants were stable in their cigarette smoking, while most of the remaining participants decreased smoking frequency. Higher motivation to quit, history of past quit attempts, and more cigarettes smoked per day at baseline were predictors of decreased cigarette use. Researchers suggest greater study of these identified groups to inform population-based smoking cessation interventions. [Estimating Cigarette Tax Avoidance and Evasion: Evidence from a National Sample of Littered Packs](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=ec792001ee&e=ac1061babb) – Tobacco Control. **Key Findings:** Researchers collected 2,116 littered cigarette packs from 132 communities across the United States and found that 18.5 percent of littered packs were non-compliant with regards to cigarette taxes. Urban areas and middle income areas had higher rates of cigarette pack non-compliance. Study authors suggest the collection of littered cigarette packs as a viable, large-scale data collection tool to further research legal compliance of cigarettes worldwide. [Association Between use of Flavored Tobacco Products and Quit Behaviors: Findings from a Cross-Sectional Survey of US Adult Tobacco Users](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=1d3e089876&e=ac1061babb) – Tobacco Control. **Key Findings:** Researchers conducted phone surveys with a nationally representative sample of 1,443 adult tobacco users to investigate association between first use and current use of non-menthol flavored tobacco products and smoking cessation. Over 70 percent of respondents reported that the first tobacco product they used was a flavored one, with 54 percent reporting current use of at least one flavored product. Current users of flavored tobacco products were less likely to report a quit attempt. Researchers call for further research on the relationship between flavored tobacco products use and quit behaviors.  |

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| 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. |

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| Upcoming Events[Abstract Submission Deadline for 2017 National Conference on Tobacco or Health](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=6367db7ca6&e=ac1061babb)Austin, TXOct. 14, 8 p.m. ET|Deadline Extended  [October: The Premarket Tobacco Product Application for Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS): A Public Seminar](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=aaf48da244&e=ac1061babb) – FDA Center for Tobacco ProductsCenter for Tobacco ProductsHyattsville, MDOctober 17-18|Registration Required [U.S. v. Philip Morris: The Big Win Against Big Tobacco](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=263929a21f&e=ac1061babb)October 18, 2 – 4:30 p.m. ET|Registration Required [Truth Initiative's College Programs: Helping Colleges aAcross the Country #FinishIT, One Campus at a Time](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=777507b7c2&e=ac1061babb) – Smoking Cessation Leadership Center and Truth InitiativeOctober 26, 1 – 2:30 p.m. ET|Registration Required [November: Risk Assessment - A Public Workshop](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=c0bafd287d&e=ac1061babb) – FDA Center for Tobacco ProductsHyattsville, MDNovember 15-16|Registration Required [2017 National Conference on Tobacco or Health](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=93273a873d&e=ac1061babb)Austin, TXMarch 22-24, 2017|Registration Required  |

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| Funding Opportunities[Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Calls for](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=181d580b26&e=ac1061babb) Proposals for Research to Build Culture of Health**Deadline: Applications accepted on a rolling basis**The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Evidence for Action program has an ongoing call for proposals to address gaps in knowledge, and test innovative programs, policies, and partnerships, in addition to evaluating measurements of health determinants and outcomes.  |

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| ****Job Listings****[Senior Research Associate](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=a25ae4f4d2&e=ac1061babb)[Rescue, The Behavior Change](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=9fbfe3400a&e=ac1061babb)[Washington DC](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=34bec2edb2&e=ac1061babb) [Senior Research Associate](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=c6835d2c54&e=ac1061babb)[Rescue, The Behavior Change](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=e6abfe9dc2&e=ac1061babb)[San Diego, CA](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=0566c51215&e=ac1061babb)[Health Education SpecialistDenver Public Health Chronic Disease Tobacco ProgramDenver, ColoradoHealth Programs SpecialistDenver Public Health Chronic Disease Tobacco ProgramDenver, Colorado](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=8311735175&e=ac1061babb)[Senior EvaluatorProfessional Data Analysis, Inc.Minneapolis, Minnesota](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=a7708c4e99&e=ac1061babb)  |

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| About the Tobacco Control NetworkThe 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](http://tobaccocontrolnetwork.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af0b90db695b443d497334499&id=0815c98c1c&e=ac1061babb) (ASTHO) on behalf of the CDC’s Office on Smoking and Health.  About ASTHOThe 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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