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TCN News

News and announcements from the Tobacco Control Network

TCN Announcements

- A new [narrated presentation](#) from TCN Chair Frances Limtiaco provides an overview of the 2019-2022 TCN Strategic Map. The video presentation is also available on the [Resources tab](#) of the TCN website.

Happy Anniversary!

In the first newsletter of each month, TCN recognizes anniversaries of state and territorial tobacco program managers to thank them for their leadership in tobacco control and public health more broadly. Thank you and congratulations to the following program managers!

- **Jennifer Ullman (MT)** – 11 years.
- **Elizabeth Guerrero (GU)** – 9 years.

Partner Announcements

- **FDA announced** that they filed a federal court motion to extend the deadline for tobacco product premarket review applications by 120 days from May 12 to Sept. 9, citing the COVID-19 outbreak.

*The twice monthly **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

[Research into Action: Why](#)

[Point of Sale Matters](#) –

Community Anti-Drug
Coalitions of America
Webinar

April 16, 1-2 p.m. ET

| *Registration required*

[Request for Information on
Vaping Products Associated
with Lung Injuries](#) – FDA

April 20 | *Comment deadline*

[Increasing Lung Cancer
Screening Uptake in Eligible
Adults: Do We Know What
Works?](#) – American Cancer
Society

Webinar

April 29, 1-2 p.m. ET

| *Registration required*

[No Menthol Sunday](#) – National
African American Tobacco
Prevention Network

May 17 | *Save the date*

[Tobacco Cessation and Lung](#)

- **CDC** researchers published the following articles:
 - A *Journal of Smoking Cessation* analysis of national quitline data from 2012 to 2015 [found](#) that the average call lasted 11.4 minutes, and that there was no relationship between quitline service provider and the volume or duration of calls in a given state.
 - In a *Preventing Chronic Disease* analysis of SummerStyles survey data, 62.6% of adults [agreed](#) that nicotine in e-cigarette products is harmful to the adolescent brain, with significant variance observed across different subpopulations.
- Articles from [Truth Initiative](#) and the [American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation](#) explore the possible link between tobacco use and poorer outcomes of COVID-19 infection.
- **Public Health Law Center** [updated](#) their listing of state laws that prohibit smoking in cars with children present.
- The **Duke-UNC Tobacco Treatment Specialist Training Program** [announced](#) that their program will now be available virtually through a combination of video classes and self-paced online trainings.

State News

- The **Minnesota** Department of Health [posted](#) a summary of findings related to smoking, vaping, lung health, and COVID-19.
- McCarran Airport in Las Vegas, **Nevada** [announced](#) that they closed their indoor smoking lounges.
- According to a [poll](#) commissioned by the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, 70% of **New**

[Cancer Screening](#) – American Cancer Society
Webinar
June 3, 1-2 p.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[State of Black Health Conference](#) – National African American Tobacco Prevention Network
Charlotte, NC
Sept. 1-3 | *Registration required*

[Nicotine Dependence Conference & National Summit on Smokeless Tobacco Prevention 2020](#) – Mayo Clinic
Rochester, MN
Oct. 18-20 | *Registration required*

Funding Opportunities

If you are aware of any funding opportunities that would appeal to state and territorial tobacco control programs, please reach out to tcn@astho.org.

Job Listings

[Senior Science Advisor](#)
FDA Center for Tobacco Products
Silver Spring, MD

[Health Communications Specialist](#)

California Department of Public Health
Sacramento, CA

[Policy Consultant](#)

California Department of Public Health
Sacramento, CA

About the Tobacco Control Network

The TCN's mission is to improve the public's

York residents [support](#) a policy that would end the sale of flavored e-cigarette products.

- A *Tobacco Control* microsimulation model of **Minnesota** from 2018 to 2037 [estimates](#) that over 20 years, projected smoking prevalence decreases will result in 14,063 fewer smoking-related deaths and nearly \$20 billion in reduced healthcare spending.

In the News

- According to documents uncovered by AP, JUUL Labs [lobbied](#) to prevent state attorneys general from filing lawsuits against the company, and enlisted Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller as an advisor.
- NYC CLASH, a smokers rights group, [lost](#) a federal lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in an attempt to overturn the agency's smoke-free housing policy.

Research

- A *Tobacco Control* analysis of 2014-2017 National Youth Tobacco Survey data [found](#) that less than 1% of U.S. adolescents who use e-cigarettes were previously established cigarette smokers.
- An online experiment of 16 FDA-developed pictorial cigarette warnings published in *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* [concluded](#) that a majority of the warnings resulted in greater consideration of smoking risks compared to a control of current Surgeon General's warnings.

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.



Forward to Friend

- A *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* analysis of college student tobacco use data [concluded](#) that students fell into four tobacco use trajectories—abstainers/dabblers, adult smokers, college smokers, and teenage users—and identified risk factors for each of those trajectories.

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