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TCN News

News and announcements from the Tobacco Control Network

Special Funding Announcement

ASTHO and NACCHO released a [Request for Proposals](#) to fund up to 50 communities at \$50,000 each to evaluate their work to advance health equity by addressing social determinants of health. The purpose of this funding opportunity is to identify and learn from multisector coalitions with a history of addressing outcomes related to chronic disease conditions. Local, state, tribal, and territorial health departments are encouraged to apply. ASTHO and NACCHO hosted an informational webinar to discuss the opportunity on **Nov. 9 at 1 p.m. ET**; the recording will be available on the NACCHO Chronic Disease web page. The deadline to apply for this opportunity is **Tuesday, Dec. 8 at 5 p.m. ET**. For more information, visit [NACCHO's Chronic Disease webpage](#).

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!

- **Jayne Flowers (VA)** – 11 years.
- **Valerie Howard (MO)** – 4 years.
- **Barbara Caboot (PA)** – 1 year.
- **Carrie Dahlquist (DC)** – 1 year.

*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

[Incorporating Human Rights into the WHO FCTC](#) – Action on Smoking and Health Webinar
Nov. 11, 9-10 a.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[Marijuana is Going Legal, Now What? Strategies for Navigating Legal and Health Communications](#) – Rescue Agency Webinar
Nov. 11, 2-3 p.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[COVID-19's Impact on the FCTC, Cessation, and Tobacco Policy](#) – Action on Smoking and Health Webinar
Nov. 12, 9-10 a.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[Local Flavor Litigation: What's the Scoop?](#) – Public Health

- **Kelly Fuller (AL)** – 1 year.
- **Charnessa Lizama (CNMI)** – 1 year.
- **Stephanie U'Ren (OK)** – 1 year.

Partner Announcements

- The **CDC Office on Smoking and Health** published the following new resources:
 - An [infographic](#) with information on evidence-based cessation interventions, such as pharmacotherapy and counseling.
 - A [video](#) that overviews health benefits experienced after quitting smoking.
 - A new [Learn About Quit-Smoking Medicines](#) web page that features information on six different topics.
- **FDA Center for Tobacco Products** [published](#) draft guidance intended to help tobacco product manufacturers conduct tobacco product perception and intention studies as part of product applications with the center. The draft guidance is [open](#) for public comment until Dec. 28.
- The following announcements come from **Truth Initiative**:
 - A series of state factsheets [highlights](#) up-to-date information on tobacco use prevalence for different products, and displays what tobacco control funding and policies states have in place.
 - A web page [discusses](#) how tobacco companies' history of disproportionately targeting the Black community in the United States has contributed to systemic racism, and links to campaigns that spread messages of racial equity in connection to tobacco control and cessation.

Law Center
Webinar
Nov. 12, 12-1 p.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[Closing the Funding Gap for FCTC Implementation at the Global and National Level](#) – Action on Smoking and Health
Webinar
Nov. 13, 9-10 a.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[E-Cigarette Harm Perceptions and Support for Tobacco-Free Campus Policies](#) – TCN
Webinar
Nov. 16, 3-3:30 p.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[Vaping, Chew, and Cigarettes: Rural Teen Tobacco Prevention Strategies that Work](#) – Rescue Agency
Webinar
Nov. 17, 1-2 p.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[Tobacco Cessation: Coverage and Billing](#) – Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth and Prevention Connections
Webinar
Nov. 18, 1-2 p.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[Federal Tobacco Litigation: What's the Latest?](#) – Public Health Law Center
Webinar
Nov. 19, 12-1 p.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[LGBTQ Youth Tobacco Prevention: COVID-19 and Lung Vulnerability](#) – The Dayna Institute
Webinar
Dec. 9, 1-2 p.m. ET
| *Registration required*

[State of Black Health Conference](#) – NAATPN, Inc.
Charlotte, NC
March 2-4, 2021 | *Registration*

- **ALA** [launched](#) its Vape-Free Schools Initiative to recognize schools taking steps to respond to the youth e-cigarette epidemic.

State News

- A *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* study of 121 vape shops in southern **California** [found](#) that 88% of surveyed vape shop employees indicated that they provided smoking cessation advice to customers, with 45% of all employees surveyed reporting no vaping-related research knowledge.

In the News

- A communication published in *Tobacco Control* [makes](#) the argument for “endgame” policies that phase out the sale of cigarettes, noting the many challenges and benefits to the passage and implementation of such policies.

Research

- A *Tobacco Control* data analysis [concluded](#) that the 2014 CVS Health policy to cease tobacco product sales in its 7,700 stores nationwide is associated with a reduction of cigarettes smoked by non-daily smokers, with greater reductions observed in areas with a greater CVS market share.
- A *Tobacco Control* analysis of survey data [found](#) that between 2000 and 2018, despite overall declines, prevalence of adolescent non-medical amphetamine, tranquilizer, and opioid use

required

[National Conference on Tobacco or Health](#) – National Network of Public Health Institutes
New Orleans
June 28-30, 2022 | *Save the date*

Funding Opportunities

[Tobacco/Vape-Free College Program](#)

Truth Initiative

Deadline: Dec. 1, 5 p.m. ET

Job Listings

Reach out

to tcn@astho.org with any job opportunities that would appeal to state and territorial tobacco control programs and their partners.

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.

did not change substantially within groups of ever and never cigarette smokers, supporting the “gateway” hypothesis of youth tobacco use.

- A survey of young adult students who reported going to bars or nightclubs published in *Tobacco Control* [concluded](#) that increased exposure to free samples of tobacco products in those venues was positively correlated with tobacco product use among non-users.

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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