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TCN News

News and announcements from the Tobacco Control Network

Help Your Peers Request

Conducting Adult Tobacco Survey (ATS) in Spanish

Deadline: Dec. 6

SC is looking for suggestions from states that have conducted the ATS in Spanish. How did you get the survey tool out in your Spanish-speaking communities? Details would be greatly appreciated - thank you!

Partner Announcements

- The following announcements are from **ASTHO**:
 - ASTHO is issuing a request for proposals for the ASTHO and CDC/OSH Increasing State Menthol Capacity Learning Collaborative. Up to eight states will be awarded a minimum of \$100,000 each. Please email intent to apply to chronicdisease@astho.org by **Dec. 2**. The final proposal deadline is **Dec. 22 at 11:59 p.m. ET**. For additional information, please see the [full RFP](#) and [Frequently Asked Questions](#). All other application materials including the [Contractor](#)

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Upcoming Events

[CATCH My Breath In-service](#) –
CATCH My Breath
Webinar
Dec. 6, 4:30-5:30 p.m. ET
| *Registration Required*

[Basic Tobacco Intervention Skills Certification for Native Communities](#) – National Native Network
Traverse City, MI
Dec. 7-8, 2022 | *Registration Required*

[Being in the Constant Seat of Learning: The Importance of Centering Equity in the Work You Do](#) – The National LGBT Cancer Network
Webinar
Dec. 13, 2:30 p.m. ET | *Registration Required*

[Asynchronous, Self-Paced Tobacco Treatment Specialist \(TTS\) Training](#) – University of Kentucky College of Nursing

[Budget Template](#) and [Contract Terms](#).

- ASTHO Chief Medical Officer Marcus Plescia reflects on the National Menthol Conference, a three-day event hosted by the African American Tobacco Control Leadership Council, and shares [the impact state and local public health policy can have on menthol](#) and other flavored tobacco products.
- ASTHO released a blog article which assesses [movement of the latest tobacco control policies](#) across the states and island jurisdictions.
- The following announcements are from **CDC**:
 - A recent CDC MMWR shared that approximately 11.3% of all students (representing 3.08 million persons) [reported currently using any tobacco product](#), including 16.5% of high school and 4.5% of middle school students
 - CDC published a new Best Practices User Guide, [Retail Strategies to Promote Health Equity](#), which provides actionable guidance to prepare for retail work in communities and implement retail strategies equitably to achieve tobacco control goals.
- The following announcements are from **FDA**:
 - FDA issued warning letters to five firms for the [unauthorized marketing of 15 different e-cigarette products](#) in which each e-cigarette product is packaged to look like toys, food, or cartoon characters and is likely to promote use by youth.
 - FDA posted warning letters to five companies [for illegally selling CBD containing products that people may](#)

Cohorts begin on Jan. 11, 2023; and March 8, 2023 | *Registration Required*

[Agents of Change Summit 2023](#) – Rescue Agency
San Diego, CA
March 6-7, 2023 | *Registration Required*

[30th Annual Nicotine Dependence Center Conference](#) – Mayo Clinic
Phoenix, AZ
March 27-28, 2023 | *Registration Required*

[NatCon23](#) – National Council for Mental Wellbeing
Los Angeles, CA
May 1-3, 2023 | *Registration Required*

Funding Opportunities

[Increasing State Menthol Capacity Learning Collaborative](#) – ASTHO and CDC/OSH
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[UpRISE Advocacy Burst Mini-Grant](#) – Center for Public Health Practice, Colorado School of Public Health
This program is offering a \$1,000 award (for approximately 10 hours of participation) to five youth-serving organizations and/or schools that are interested in advocacy, and willing to introduce youth to tobacco prevention work with a social justice lens.
Deadline: Ongoing basis until April 30, 2023.

and receiving turnkey solutions for [training and events for young leaders](#). Please contact chartsell@truthinitiative.org if you would like more information.

- The EX Program highlights how to [navigate a hybrid or remote workers policy](#) for tobacco use.
- Based on new Truth Initiative research published in the *Journal of Medical Internet Research*, tweets supporting the idea that nicotine had a [protective effect against COVID-19 were circulated 20X more often](#) than those that debunked the claims.

- **The Specialized Training and Technical Assistance Hub** at Emory's Rollins School of Public Health developed a resource to enhance awareness and knowledge about the [intersection of health equity in tobacco control](#) and populations with low socioeconomic status characteristics.

- **American Academy of Pediatrics**, in partnership with CDC-OSH, recently announced [a new training resource](#) to support clinicians in adopting the [“Ask – Counsel – Treat” \(A.C.T.\) cessation counseling model](#). The newly developed case studies combine didactic teaching with practical conversation examples to demonstrate how to use the A.C.T. model in a variety of scenarios.

- **Project CONNECT**, a partnership between The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, North American Quitline Consortium, quitline service providers, and quitline funders published an implementation guide designed to help quitline funders and service providers learn what it takes to [integrate education on lung cancer screening](#) into existing quitline services.

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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

- **Rescue Agency** Founder & President Jeff Jordan provides [evidence-based messaging strategies for reframing vaping](#) as harmful to teens' mental health and *replacing* vaping with meaningful resources and social support, in its newest educational video.
- **The National LGBT Cancer Network** is excited to announce its third assessment of state tobacco and cancer programs in January 2023. If you are a jurisdictional tobacco program manager, please look out for additional information in mid-December and [see how your state did on its last assessment](#).

State News

- **California** voters voted to uphold CA S.B. 793(19R), [banning the sale of most flavored tobacco products](#) in storefronts and vending machines statewide, with the exception of loose leaf and hookah tobacco, and premium cigars.
- Voters in **North Dakota**, **South Dakota**, and **Arkansas** rejected [legalization of adult-use marijuana](#) in part thanks to strong opposition from political leadership and health and safety organizations and voters in **Missouri** and **Maryland** passed measures for adult-use marijuana/cannabis.

In the News

- RJ Reynolds and other companies filed suit against the state of **California** within hours of election results which [eliminate the sale of](#)



[menthol and other flavored tobacco products.](#)

- *The Transylvania Times* covered former Juul user Luka Kinard's visit to speak to the student bodies of two county high schools about his [addiction and frightening health troubles caused by using Juul](#) when he was in high school.

Research

- An analysis of 2014 to 2019 Tips From Former Smokers® (Tips®) campaign surveys published in *Journal of Smoking Cessation* found that [higher levels of campaign exposure were associated with lower odds of cigarette smoking](#) relapse among adults who formerly smoked.
- A prospective cohort study published in *JAMA Network Open* using data from the U.S. National Health Interview Survey found that when [comparing those who quit smoking before age 45 years with never smokers](#), all-cause mortality RRs were 1.15 among Hispanic individuals, 1.16 among non-Hispanic Black individuals, 1.11 among non-Hispanic White individuals, and 1.17 among other non-Hispanic individuals.
- *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* analysis which reviewed 826 English-language manuscripts (1992–2016) found [that e-cigarette industry-sponsored authors had the strongest association](#) with undisclosed industry (pharmaceutical, tobacco, and e-cigarette)support.
- A longitudinal study analysis published in *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* concluded a statistically significant positive

association [between T21 exposure and e-cigarette use and intention to use e-cigarettes](#) and no association between T21 policy exposure and cigarette use or intention to use cigarettes.

- A *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* analysis of ever-daily smokers in the International Tobacco Control 4 country smoking and vaping surveys in 2016 and 2018 concluded that smokers who switched to vaping between waves (n=372) were [more likely to report depression symptoms](#) at Wave 2 but reported improved perceived health.

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