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TCN News

News and announcements from the Tobacco Control Network

Call for Papers

Preventing Chronic Disease (PCD) has issued a Call for Papers for its upcoming collection: **From Data to Action: National, State, and Local Efforts to End Commercial Menthol and Other Flavored Tobacco Product Use.**

- **April 14:** Deadline for authors to submit inquiries to the journal to determine interest and fit for this collection. [Learn more](#) about how to submit inquiries.
- **April 28:** Papers are due to OSH for Courtesy Review.
- **Aug. 15:** Final manuscripts are due to PCD. (Note: Papers may be submitted ahead of this deadline and will be published on a rolling basis.)

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:

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

[Impact of Vaping Prevention Advertisements on US Adolescents](#) – CADCA Geographic Health Equity Alliance Webinar
March 14, 12:30 p.m. ET | *Registration Required*

Flavored Tobacco Sales Restrictions: Successes, Challenges, and Best Practices – Truth Initiative Webinar
March 22, 1-4 p.m. ET | *Save the Date*

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

[Building Strong Partnerships: Utilizing Collaboration Between Schools and Clinicians to Address Tobacco Use and Secondhand Smoke/Vape Exposure](#) – American Academy of Pediatrics Webinar
April 6, 12 p.m. ET | *Registration*

- **Gail DeVito (IL)** – 13 years.

Partner Announcements

- **ASTHO** released a recent blog [highlighting federal and state actions to restrict flavors for e-cigarettes](#), combustible cigarettes and cigars, and other nicotine products.
- The following announcements are from **CDC**:
 - CDC's Office on Smoking and Health is excited to share that starting on March 6, [Tips From Former Smokers® \(Tips®\) advertisements](#) began running on national networks and cable television and digital video, display, search, and social platforms.
 - CDC's Office on Smoking and Health announces the release of paid search and social media ads about the risks of youth e-cigarette use, including the association of nicotine and its impacts on youth mental health. The media placements began on Feb. 27 and will run through Sept 24. Visit the [CDC OSH Media Campaign Resource Center](#) to download the ads for use on your own social media channels.
 - CDC published a [research brief](#) revealing that 62.3% of U.S. adults 18 or older supported a policy prohibiting the sale of menthol cigarettes and 57.3% supported a policy prohibiting the sale of all tobacco products.

Required

[Champions for Youth Summit](#) – Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth and Prevention Connections
Falls Church, VA
April 24-26, 2023 | *Registration Required*

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

Funding Opportunities

[Visiting Lectureship Grants](#) – American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
The AAP Julius B. Richmond Visiting Lectureship Program provides awards of up to \$1,000 to support customized virtual programs focused on educating pediatric health clinicians and other collaborators on protecting the health of children and families by controlling tobacco smoke exposure. Only virtual programs leveraging traditional and non-traditional tobacco control programs and partnerships will be considered. Applicants are encouraged to join us for an application Q&A session on **March 10, 2023**, from 12-1 p.m. ET. Session information and programmatic questions can also be accessed by emailing mrichmondcenter@aap.org
Deadline: April 6, 2023

[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 interested in advocacy, and who are willing to introduce youth to tobacco prevention work with a social justice lens.
Deadline: Ongoing basis until April 30, 2023

- A CDC analysis of 2019 and 2020 National Youth Tobacco Survey data published in *Health Equity* concluded that among youth with past 30-day tobacco use, [use of most flavored tobacco products increased across all racial/ethnic groups](#), with Hispanic students having the highest susceptibility to future e-cigarette use.
- The following announcements are from **FDA**:
 - In September 2022, FDA underwent an independent [operational evaluation](#) of the Center for Tobacco Products (CTP), conducted by the Reagan-Udall Foundation. The [final report](#) was released on Dec. 19, 2022, and includes 15 recommendations.
 - CTP Director Brian King published a statement [summarizing the Center's plans to address the recommendations from the Regal-Udall Foundation evaluation](#) of the Tobacco Program's regulatory processes and operations.
 - FDA recently announced it has filed civil money penalty (CMP) complaints [against four tobacco product manufacturers for manufacturing and selling e-liquids without marketing authorization](#), the first time it has filed CMP complaints against tobacco product manufacturers to enforce the premarket review requirements for new tobacco products.
 - In a recent webinar, FDA Office of Minority Health and Health Equity Director RDML Richardae Araojo

If you know of any funding opportunities that would appeal to state and territorial tobacco control programs, please send those to us at tcn@astho.org.

Job Listings

[PublicHealthCareers.org](#) is a centralized and engaging option for those seeking employees in all aspects of governmental public health. The site features career professional video highlights and job opportunities to inspire a new generation of candidates. Governmental public health agencies may post positions to the ASTHO [Job Board](#) at no cost (promo code S/THA 72022) to have vacancies appear in searches performed on [PublicHealthCareers.org](#), or provide a direct Extensible Markup Language (XML) feed to have vacancies automatically appear in searches. Vacancies in state agencies using governmentjobs.com (NEOGOV) will automatically appear in PublicHealthCareers.org - no need to manually post or to provide an XML feed! Check with your Senior Deputy and/or Human Resources/Workforce Development Director professionals to find out if your agency is connected to this resource! Contact workforce@astho.org for more information.

[Arizona Smokers' Helpline \(ASHLine\) Cessation Manager](#)

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For more information on how to apply, please contact Emily Carlson, Office Chief, at Emily.Carlson@azdhs.gov.

[Tobacco Control Program Manager](#)

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Richmond, VA

[Senior Attorney](#)

Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids
Washington, D.C.

[Project Director](#)

Counter Tools

and Brian King discussed the [impact of tobacco use on Black Americans and other populations](#), as well as CTP's efforts to achieve health equity in tobacco product regulation.

- The following announcements are from **Truth Initiative**:
 - Despite federal law prohibiting sales of e-cigarettes to those under the age of 21, new research from Truth Initiative finds [more than 43% of underage 15-20-year-old current e-cigarette users](#) are obtaining e-cigarettes from retailers like vape shops, gas stations, and convenience stores.
 - Courtney Butler, a young activist and Truth College Leader at Trinity Washington University, [shares her experience attending the Youth Menthol Convening and National Menthol Conference in Washington, D.C.](#) this past September and her work to implement a tobacco-free campus policy.
- **American Lung Association** is hosting a peer-to-peer learning cohort for State Tobacco Control program staff on how they can prepare to help people quit menthol tobacco products for good, focusing on both improving coverage and enacting health systems change. The cohort will meet for three 90-minute calls, and each is scheduled from 12-1:30 p.m. ET on the following dates:
 - Tuesday, April 11
 - Tuesday, April 18
 - Tuesday, May 2To indicate your interest in participating in this cohort, please

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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.

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

complete this brief pre-assessment: [Spring 2023 - Cessation TA Cohort Pre-Assessment](#).

- The following announcements are from **NAQC**:
 - NAQC has released the [Priority Practices Report](#), which identifies six high priority best and promising practices for adoption by all state quitlines by June 2023.
 - The NAQC's newly released quitline cost-sharing partnerships series include [three videos](#) on the Overview of the Cost-Sharing Partnership Process, a tutorial on the State Cessation Environmental Assessment Tool, and an Overview of Medicaid Partnership Options.
- Giridhar Mallya, senior policy expert at **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**, recently published a blog post highlighting the [impact state preemption laws have had on local tobacco policy strategies](#) and health equity.
- **SelfMade Health Network** released the [Quit Tobacco Toolkit: Men's Health](#), a resource providing images that can be downloaded and customized to develop strategic partnerships with businesses, vocational and technical schools, and other major stakeholders committed to reducing cancer and tobacco-related disparities among adult males.

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State News

- The ASPIRE Center released [a case study on the development and implementation](#) of Saint Paul, **Minnesota's** 2021 comprehensive retail tobacco ordinance.
- A bill introduced in the **California** Assembly [would prohibit the sale of tobacco products to those born after 2007](#), resulting in the eventual total phase-out of tobacco sales in the state.
- The Common Council of Milwaukee, **Wisconsin** [unanimously approved a six-month moratorium on any new businesses](#) that sell e-cigarettes or e-cigarette paraphernalia.
- A **Utah** bill introduced in the House would [add a \\$25 e-cigarette product hazardous waste disposal fee](#) to the permit fees required for tobacco specialty businesses.

In the News

- The U.S. Supreme Court [declined to hear a challenge to Los Angeles County's ban on sales of flavored tobacco products brought by R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company](#), which had argued that only the federal government—not state or local governments—has the legal authority to regulate tobacco products.

Research

- An analysis of the DNA-damaging effects of vaping as compared to smoking in healthy adults published in *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* [detected significantly increased levels of DNA damage dose-dependently in both vapers and smokers](#) as compared to non-users.
- A *Nicotine & Tobacco Research* analysis of data come from mother-child pairs participating in the EDEN mother-child cohort in France concluded that maternal heavy smoking (≥10 cigarettes/day) remained [significantly associated with intermediate levels of conduct problems](#).
- A *Tobacco Control* analysis of 15-24-year-old respondents drawn from a repeated cross-sectional online panel survey found that self-reported exposure to the truth anti-e-cigarette campaign was [associated with knowledge that e-cigarette users are more likely to start smoking](#) and of the nicotine content of JUUL compared with cigarettes.
- A *Tobacco Control* analysis that evaluated particulate matter with a diameter <2.5 µm (PM2.5)—a surrogate for secondhand smoke—concluded that [average PM2.5 levels were significantly higher in casinos that allow smoking](#), for both casino gaming areas and areas where smoking is otherwise prohibited.

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