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TCN News

News and announcements from the Tobacco Control Network

TCN Announcements

Join a TCN Workgroup! Click <u>here</u> to learn more about the Policy, Health Equity, and Membership Engagement workgroups. Please email <u>tcn@astho.org</u> with any questions and to express your interest in joining.

Congratulations New Program Managers!

In the first newsletter of each month, TCN recognizes newly hired state and territorial tobacco program managers.

Congratulations to the following program managers:

- Valery Roman-Cruz (MT)
- Sara Araujo (NM)

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 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

For more Tobacco Control Network events and deadlines, please visit the <u>TCN</u> <u>Events</u> page!

Project SUN: A Culturally
Adapted Youth Smoking
Cessation Program for
American Indian/Alaska Native
Youth – The Inter-Tribal
Council of Michigan
Webinar
July 10, 3 – 4 p.m. ET
| Registration Required

<u>Comprehensive Tobacco</u>
<u>Treatment Specialist</u>
<u>Program</u> – Duke-UNC
Virtual
July 15-23, 2024 | Registration
Required

<u>Medicaid Coverage of</u> <u>Pediatric Tobacco Cessation</u> <u>Treatment</u> – American Lung control and public health more broadly. Thank you and congratulations to the following program managers:

Farrah Lesa (AS) – 3 years.

Partner Announcements

- The Center for Black Health & Equity released a
 new resource titled "The Health Justice Guide." In
 addition to research and a detailed history of the
 tobacco industry and how it relates to today's
 context of predatory marketing, the guide includes
 practical instructions on how to use a community
 model to effect policy change.
- Public Health Law Center recently released a fact sheet, "Youth Purchase, Use or Possession (PUP) Commercial Tobacco Laws and Penalties", which explores the harms of PUP laws and shares valuable, evidence-based solutions to reduce youth use.
- Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids joined with several partners to develop this short statement to demonstrate the depth of support at the local, state, and national level for eliminating all flavored tobacco products, including menthol cigarettes. Signatories will be accepted on a continuous basis.
- A Truth Initiative article highlights the short- and long-term health benefits of quitting smoking or vaping nicotine, one being that bodily function starts to improve just 20 minutes after quitting.
- The following announcements are from **FDA**:
 - Following an extensive scientific review,
 FDA issued marketing granted orders to
 NJOY LLC for four menthol-flavored e-cigarette products—NJOY ACE Pod
 Menthol 2.4%, NJOY ACE Pod Menthol

Association Webinar July 16, 2 – 2:45 p.m. ET | Registration Required

Lessons with the State of
Washington on Medicaid Data
and Tobacco Use – ASTHO
Webinar
July 17, 12 – 1:30 p.m. ET
| Registration Required

<u>Unlocking Solutions: Menthol</u>
<u>Smoking Cessation</u>
<u>Strategies</u> – NIH
Webinar
July 22, 12 p.m.
ET | Registration Required

Including People With
Disabilities: A Training Series
For Tobacco Control and
Cancer Prevention
Professionals – NACDD
National Disability Inclusion
Network
Webinar
July 23, 2 p.m. ET
| Registration Required

Getting Beyond No: Treating in Precontemplation
Stage – Cicatelli Associates, Inc. (CAI)
Webinar
July 30, 2 – 3
p.m. ET | Registration
Required

Job Opportunities

Program Officer (2 openings)
Montana Tobacco Use
Prevention Program
Helena, MT

Tobacco Treatment Specialist Moffitt Cancer Center Tampa, FL

If you know of any job opportunities that would appeal to state and territorial tobacco control staff, please

- 5%, NJOY DAILY Menthol 4.5%, and NJOY DAILY EXTRA Menthol 6%.
- FDA and U.S. Customs and Border
 Protection (CBP) <u>announced the seizure</u> of 53,700 <u>unauthorized e-cigarette</u> <u>products</u> valued at more than \$1.08 million.
- FDA's Center for Tobacco Products and NIH's National Institute on Drug Abuse announced the availability of the adult and youth/parent Location Characteristics Restricted Use Files from Wave 1 (2013) through Wave 5 (2019) of the Population Assessment of Tobacco and Health (PATH) Study.
- o FDA's Center for Tobacco Products shared its ongoing efforts to address the evaluation of the center by an independent expert panel facilitated by the Reagan-Udall Foundation. The comprehensive list of status updates for each recommendation is available here.
- A new resource, created in part by the Public
 Health Institute's Regional Asthma Management
 and Prevention Program, offers a series of
 consensus-based principles to guide a community's
 exploration of equitable approaches to adopting
 smoke-free housing—helping balance the need for
 policies as well as housing stability.

News

 A recent Bloomberg article reports that the FDA is <u>stepping up its efforts to combat unauthorized</u> <u>tobacco products</u> such as flavored disposable vapes. send those to us at tcn@astho.org.

Funding Opportunities

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.

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.

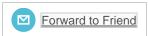
About ASTHO

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

State News

- A new bill in North Carolina, if passed, would require the state to certify vaping and other nextgeneration tobacco products for sale—and punish stores that sell non-certified products.
- Gov. McKee of Rhode Island signed into law the state budget, which includes a provision to codify the state's flavored e-cigarette law. However, menthol-flavored e-cigarettes are now exempt from the state's current prohibition on the sale of all flavored e-cigs, which was created by a 2019 executive order.

these jurisdictions, are dedicated to formulating and influencing sound public health policy and to ensuring excellence in state-based public health practice.



Research

- A Tobacco Control analysis which measured
 particulate matter with a diameter <2.5 μm (PM2.5),
 at eight Las Vegas casinos, including the smokefree casino, found 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.
- A multisite randomized clinical trial, published in JAMA Internal Medicine, concluded that a 12week course of cytisinicline with behavioral support was more effective than placebo with behavioral support and was very well tolerated, producing significantly more continuous abstinence from ecigarette use than placebo during the last four weeks of drug treatment.

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