

Dear SRNT Members,

We hope that the content of this month's Policy Research Network Bulletin is interesting and useful. This bulletin is created by our Communications Committee. If you are interested in contributing to this Bulletin, please contact [Minal Patel](#).

POLICY-RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS IN NICOTINE & TOBACCO RESEARCH (February 2019)

- [Awareness of changes in e-cigarette regulations and behaviour before and after implementation: A longitudinal survey of smokers, ex-smokers and vapers in the United Kingdom](#)
- [Exploration of policy makers' views on the implementation of the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in The Gambia: a qualitative study](#)

CONSULTATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

CURRENTLY OPEN

- **US:**
 - [Reporting Harmful and Potential Harmful Constituents \(HPHCs\) in Tobacco Products and Tobacco Smoke. Closes April 1.](#)
 - [Modified Tobacco Product Applications – Camel Snus Smokeless Products](#)
 - [Modified Tobacco Product Applications – iQOS.](#)

RECENTLY CLOSED

- **US:**
 - [Solicitation for Written Comments on Proposed Objectives for Healthy People 2030. Closed January 17.](#)
 - [Advancing Tobacco Control Practices to Prevent Initiation of Tobacco Use among Youth and Young Adults, Eliminate Exposure to Secondhand Smoke, and Identify and Eliminate Tobacco-Related Disparities. Closed February 11.](#)

OTHER POLICY-RELEVANT NEWS AND SIGNIFICANT NEW POLICIES

REPORTS

- **US:** [American Lung Association – State of Tobacco Control 2019](#)
- **US:** [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report: Tobacco Product Use among Middle and High School Students – United States, 2011-2018](#)

TAX:

- **ISRAEL:** [High Court calls on government to match tax on loose tobacco to cigarette tax](#)

E-CIGARETTES, HEAT-NOT-BURN, AND OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS

- **CHINA:** [Hong Kong pushes ahead with blanket ban on e-cigarettes](#)
- **SINGAPORE:** [Health Promotion Board launches public education campaign on harmful effects of e-cigarettes](#)

TOBACCO ADVERTISING AND PACKAGING

- **CANADA:** [Notice of intent – Potential measures to reduce the impact of vaping products advertising on youth and non-users of tobacco products](#)
- **PAKISTAN:** [Pakistan to print new pictorial health warning on cigarette packs](#)
- **SINGAPORE:** [Bill to enforce plain packaging for tobacco products passed in Parliament](#)

ANTISMOKING CAMPAIGNS, SMOKEFREE AND CESSATION

- **CANADA:** [Health Canada encourages young adults to break it off with cigarettes](#)
- **NEW ZEALAND:** [Smoking to be banned in cars when children under 18 are present](#)

- **THAILAND:** [Six airports declared no-smoking zones](#)

TOBACCO INDUSTRY

- **EUROPE:** [Altria to tap European bond market to help fund JUUL stake buy](#)
- **FRANCE:** [First conviction of a tobacco company for propaganda](#) (French)
- **INDIA:** [JUUL plans India e-cigarette entry with new hires](#)
- **INTERNATIONAL:** [Tobacco industry funded think tanks](#)
- **US:** [Altria taps US bond market after Europe to fund JUUL deal](#)
- **US:** [JUUL builds lobbying clout in Washington](#)

OTHER NICOTINE AND TOBACCO NEWS

- **BELARUS:** [Belarus toughens laws against smoking, including e-cigarettes](#)
- **ETHIOPIA:** [Ethiopian parliament passes tobacco control law, including provisions on smoke-free air and advertising](#)
- **US:** [FDA to take action against Walgreens for violating tobacco sale laws by selling to minors](#)

SRNT ANNUAL MEETING 2019

- **POLICY RESEARCH NETWORK SYMPOSIUM: ADVANCING THE TOBACCO ENDGAME**

Thursday, February 21, 2019, 10:00-11:30 AM

This session will include presentations of new research on the tobacco endgame by:

- Dr. Richard Edwards
- Dr. Geoffrey Fong
- Dr. Robert Schwartz
- Dr. Tracy Smith
- Dr. David Timberlake

Dr. Joanna Cohen will lead a discussion about the implications of this evidence in the context of developing and enhancing tobacco endgame strategies.

- **POLICY RESEARCH NETWORK MEETING**

Wednesday, February 20, 2019 from 2:15pm-3:15pm

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