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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 (July 2019)

The July issue of NTR is focused on tobacco policy. You may view all papers included in the issue [here](#).

- [The effect of price on the consumption of reduced nicotine cigarettes](#)
- [Engagement with online tobacco marketing among adolescents in the United States: 2013-2014 to 2014-2015](#)
- [Evidence from qualitative studies of youth about the impacts of tobacco control policy on young people in Europe: A systematic review](#)
- [Introduction of standardized tobacco packaging during a 12-month period: Findings from small retailers in the United Kingdom](#)
- [Neighborhood differences in alternative tobacco product availability and advertising in New York City: Implications for health disparities](#)
- [Share of advertising voice at the point-of-sale and its influence on at-risk students' use of alternative tobacco products](#)
- [Tobacco industry promotional strategies targeting American Indians/Alaska Natives and exploiting tribal sovereignty](#)
- [Tobacco marketing and subsequent use of cigarettes, e-cigarettes, and hookah in adolescents](#)

CONSULTATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

CURRENTLY OPEN

- **NEW ZEALAND:**
 - [Submissions on Smoke-free Environments \(Prohibiting Smoking in Motor Vehicles Carrying Children\) Amendment Bill. Closes August 8.](#)
- **UK:**
 - [Advancing our health: Prevention in the 2020s. Closes October 14.](#)
- **US:**
 - [Requirements Under the Comprehensive Smokeless Tobacco Health Education Act of 1986, as Amended by the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act. Closes August 12.](#)
 - [Guidance for Tobacco Retailers on Tobacco Retailer Training Programs. Closes August 16.](#)

RECENTLY CLOSED

- **US:**
 - [Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents. Closed July 16.](#)

POLICY-RELEVANT REPORTS

- [WHO report on the global tobacco epidemic 2019](#)

OTHER POLICY-RELEVANT NEWS AND SIGNIFICANT NEW POLICIES

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

- **INDIA:** [Government set to ban e-cigarettes by labelling them as drugs](#)
- **INDONESIA:** [National narcotics agency calls for ban on e-cigarettes](#)
- **MALAYSIA:** [Health Ministry sets up special committee to study control over e-cigarettes](#)

TOBACCO ADVERTISING AND PACKAGING

- **SINGAPORE:** [Cigarette packs to be sold in standardised plain packaging from July 1 next year](#)

ANTISMOKING CAMPAIGNS, SMOKEFREE AND CESSATION

- **AUSTRIA:** [Austria passes smoking ban in bars and restaurants](#)
- **JAPAN:** [New law bans indoor smoking in government buildings and schools](#)
- **PHILIPPINES:** [DOH bans use of e-cigarettes in public](#)

TOBACCO INDUSTRY

- **BELGIUM:** [Belgium prepares probe into Politico tobacco sponsorship](#)
- **INDIA:** [Health ministry asks state not to partner with Foundation for a Smoke-Free World](#)
- **NEW ZEALAND:** [Philip Morris launches heat-not-burn product IQOS in NZ, targets Māori](#)
- **NEW ZEALAND:** [JUUL plans New Zealand launch, raises concerns about youth addiction](#)
- **SOUTH AFRICA:** [Philip Morris launches first Africa store to spark alternative cigarettes demand](#)
- **US:** [Juul's co-founder defends e-cigarette start-up in congressional hearing over its alleged role in teen vaping epidemic](#)

TAX

- **UAE:** [New shisha tobacco and e-cigarettes tax rule announced](#)
- **SAUDI ARABIA:** [General Authority of Zakat and Tax announces new rules for cigarette imports](#)

OTHER TOBACCO CONTROL

- **IRELAND:** [Legislation proposes to ban self-service tobacco vending machines, e-cigarette sales to under 18s, and the sale of tobacco at locations and events intended for children](#)
- **US:** [U.S. federal judge orders Food and Drug Administration to implement 10-month deadline for e-cig applications](#)
- **US:** [Streaming service Netflix vows to reduce smoking images](#)
- **US:** [Facebook and Instagram to restrict content related to alcohol, tobacco and e-cigarettes](#)

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