

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 (May 2019)

- [A cost-effectiveness analysis of stop smoking interventions in substance-use disorder populations](#)
- [Longitudinal associations of cigarette prices with smoking cessation: The coronary artery risk development in young adults study](#)
- [The 2016 Tips from Former Smokers campaign: Associations with quit intentions and quit attempts among smokers with and without mental health conditions](#)

CONSULTATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

CURRENTLY OPEN

- **US:**
 - [Content and Format of Substantial Equivalence Reports. Closes June 17.](#)
 - [Extended Evaluation of the National Tobacco Prevention and Control Public Education Campaign. Closes June 24.](#)
 - [Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents. Closes July 16.](#)

RECENTLY CLOSED

- **US:**
 - [Modifications to Compliance Policy for Certain Deemed Tobacco Products; Draft Guidance for Industry. Closed April 30.](#)
 - [Enforcement Policy for Certain Marketed Tobacco Products; Draft Guidance for Industry. Closed April 30.](#)
 - [Modified Tobacco Product Applications – Camel Snus Smokeless Products. Closed May 13.](#)

OTHER POLICY-RELEVANT NEWS AND SIGNIFICANT NEW POLICIES

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

- **CANADA:** [Quebec court rejects elements of province's vaping legislation](#)
- **EU:** [Vaping companies facing European opposition to higher nicotine level](#)
- **IRELAND:** [Juul Labs launches in Irish market](#)
- **MALAYSIA:** [BAT at final stage of introducing tobacco heating products in Malaysia](#)
- **NEW ZEALAND:** [Government recommends smokers quit smoking and start vaping](#)
- **TAIWAN:** [Petition to legalize heated tobacco exceeds threshold](#)
- **UAE:** [Dubai issues warning over vaping in public places](#)
- **US:** [FDA clears Philip Morris' IQOS, Altria plans to start selling heated tobacco device in the US this summer](#)
- **US:** [Judge orders FDA to speed up review of e-cigarettes](#)
- **US:** [North Carolina files a lawsuit against JUUL](#)

TOBACCO ADVERTISING AND PACKAGING

- **CANADA:** [Health Canada sets plain-packaging rules for tobacco, to take effect in November](#)
- **PAKISTAN:** [Pictorial warnings will cover 85% of cigarette packs from May 30](#)

TOBACCO INDUSTRY

- **INTERNATIONAL:** [Philip Morris suspends social media campaign after Reuters exposes young 'influencers'](#)
- **FRANCE:** [Justice prohibits the return of Philip Morris on the racing circuits](#)
- **UK:** [Philip Morris starts life insurance firm offering discounts to smokers who quit](#)
- **UK:** [Tobacco firms accused of using Formula One to promote e-cigarettes and heated tobacco despite advertising ban](#)

TAX

- **SAUDI ARABIA:** [Saudi Arabia widens excise tax to sweetened drinks, e-cigarettes](#)
- **UAE:** [UAE bans import of cigarettes without tax stamp](#)

OTHER TOBACCO CONTROL

- **BELGIUM:** [Belgium raises the minimum legal age for tobacco to 18](#)
- **US:** [Beverly Hills may be first in the nation to ban tobacco sales](#)
- **US:** [Pharmacy chain, CVS Health pledges not to work with agencies that promote smoking or vaping](#)
- **US:** [Lawmakers push bipartisan bill to raise the federal minimum buying age for tobacco to 21](#)
- **US:** [Pharmacy chain, Walgreens raises minimum tobacco sales age to 21 after FDA pressure](#)
- **US:** [National retail chains, Walmart, Sam's Club raise age to buy tobacco products to 21](#)

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