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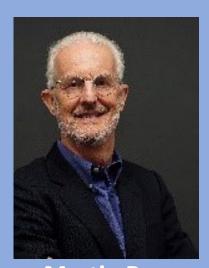




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Tobacco Control during COVID-19 and beyond



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people

die each year from Tobacco use



Tobacco is NOT a done issue!





Each day, **22,000**people die from tobacco use or second-hand smoke exposure

1.3 billion tobacco users

IF LEFT UNCHECKED,
TOBACCO USE WILL KILL ONE
BILLION PEOPLE THIS
CENTURY

Tobacco is a development issue





Economic

The economic costs of tobacco use are substantial and include significant health care costs for treating the diseases caused by tobacco use and the lost productivity that results from tobacco-attributable morbidity and mortality.

Global economy loss due to tobacco

\$1.4 trillion

~2% of global GDP

Environmental

Tobacco farming - itself health-harming - often relies on unlawful or exploitative labour, including child labour, and contributes to environmental degradation.

Tobacco farming is responsible for nearly of global deforestation with 200,000 hectares of woody biomass loss per year.

Cigarette butts are by far the largest single type of litter by count.

Since the 1980s cigarette butts have consistently comprised

30-40%

of all items picked up in annual international coastal and urban clean-ups.



Tobacco use is a common risk factor for the four major chronic noncommunicable diseases (NCDs)



- **⊕** Cardiovascular diseases
- ୍ଡ Cancer
- **⊗** Respiratory diseases
- **⊙** Diabetes

NCDs: a slow motion pandemic

Leading cause of death in the world



2016: 56.9 million (**)



► 40.5 M (71%) = NCDs-related total

deaths

A powerful 15 year old legal instrument is at hand! The WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control now with



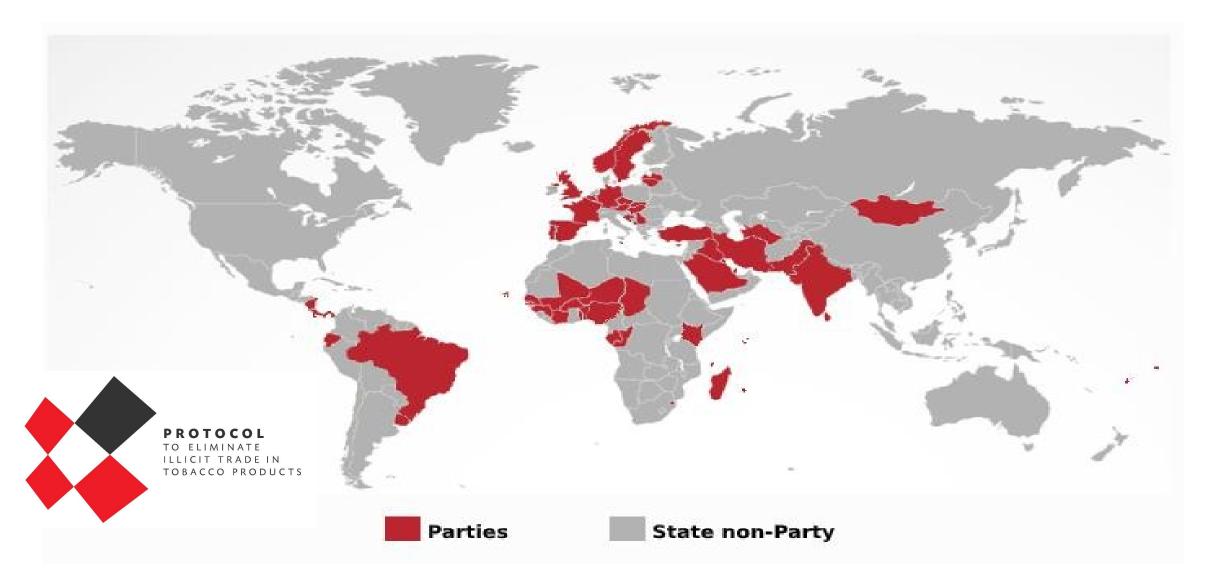
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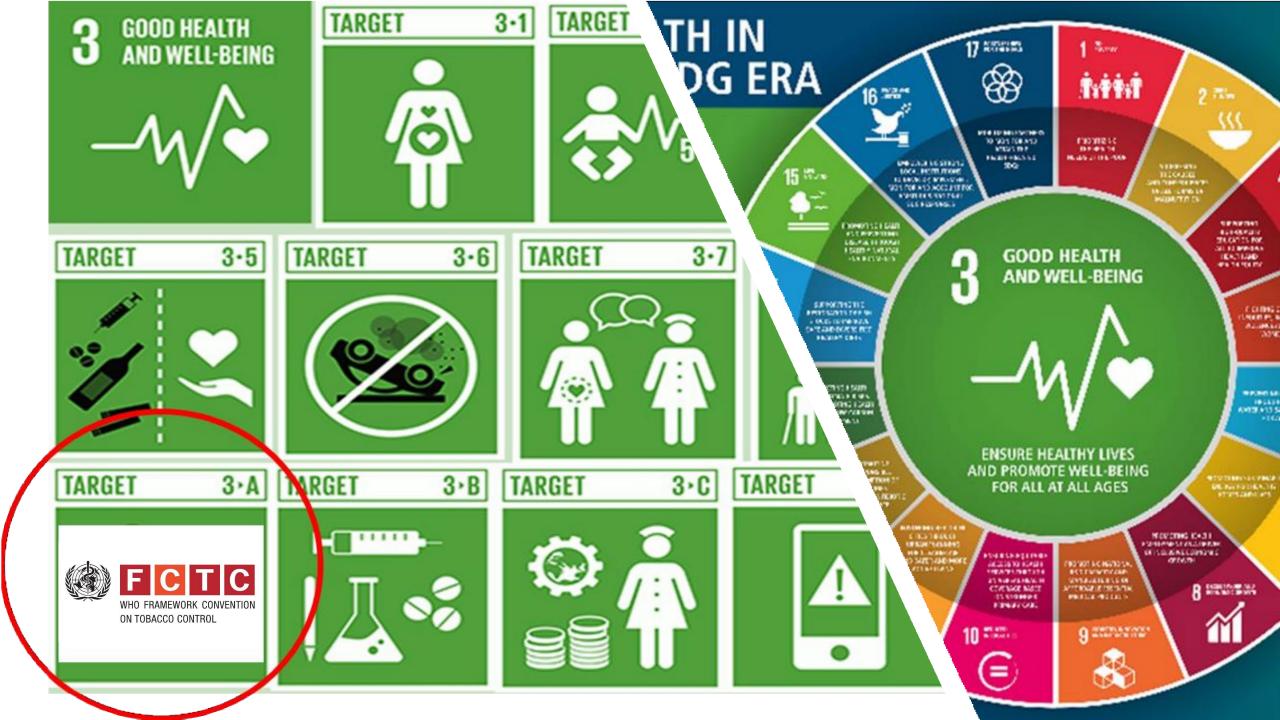


And another legal instrument! The 2-year old Protocolto Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products with 62 Parties currently



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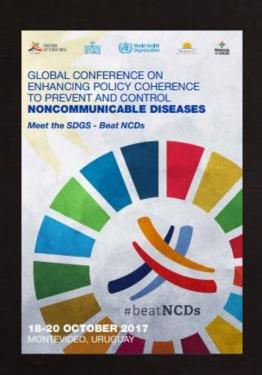




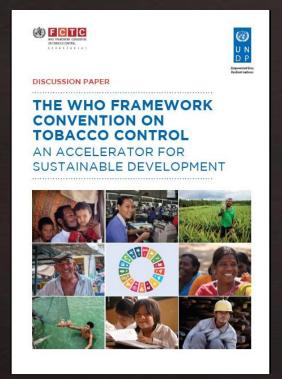
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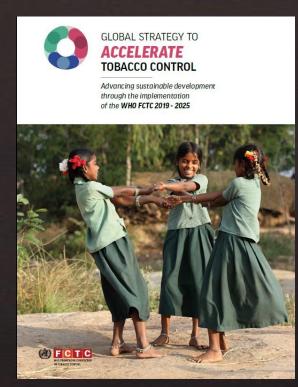
HEALTH is key to social, economic and productive development













Goal 3.4 of the 2030 Agenda will not be met if target 3.a is not met

NCDs - COVID-19 & the tobaccoepidemic



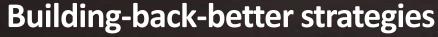
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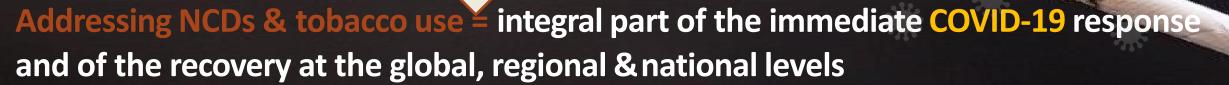
*0.25 of the world's population have an underlying condition – mainly NCDs = their vulnerability to COVID-19 and the risk of severe disease & death





Smokers also share this poor prognosis









WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control: Key measures to implement during COVID-19







ART. 14

Demand reduction measures - Cessation



ART. 6 Price and tax measures



ART. 5.3 and ART. 13 **Tobacco industry interference**



ART. 8 and ART.11

Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke Packaging and labelling



WHO FCTC ARTICLE 5.3



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- RAISE AWARENESS
- **MEASURES TO LIMIT INTERACTIONS**
- **REJECT PARTNERSHIPS**
- AVOID CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- **ACCURATE AND TRANSPARENT INFORMATION**
- DENORMALIZE AND REGULATE CSR
- NO PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT
- STATE OWNED INDUSTRY TREATED **EQUALLY**

Statement from Head of Convention Secretariat (May 2020)

Guidelines Article 5.5



Source: Anna Gilmore and Mary Assunta

and Mary Assunta

Response to tobacco industry interference during COVID-19:



Webinars of Knowledge Hub for Article 5.3 with participation of Convention Secretariat

- Countering Tobacco Industry Interference in Time of COVID-19 (2020) June 2020 Materials available here.
- Tobacco Industry Accountability and Liability in the Time of COVID-19 July 2020 examples of "key experiences regionally and globally on the implementation of selected tobacco control policies during COVID-19" in the policy brief elaborated after the webinar.
- Overcoming Tobacco Industry Interference to Achieve Sustainable Development Goals September 2020 Materials available here.



Tobacco control efforts in times of COVID-19: some progress from around the world

NETHERLANDS: End the sale of tobacco in supermarkets & gas stations; ratified the Protocol 3 July 2020; plain packaging from 1 October 2020

ANDORRA: Ratified the WHO FCTC on 11 May 2020

KENYA: Ratified the Protocol on 4 May 2020

HUNGARY: Ratified the Protocol on 23 June 2020

EGYPT: Ratified the Protocol on 10 September 2020

SEYCHELLES: Ratified the Protocol on 7 January 2020

ETHIOPIA: Landmark bill to increase tobacco taxes

EUROPEAN UNION: Ban of flavored cigarettes

SINGAPORE: Plain packaging from 1 July 2020

Continue work on tobacco control even during the pandemic

and even more so after





UPDATES ON EXPERT AND WORKING GROUPS – delivering on its mandates through virtual means



FCTC/COP8(21) Implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of the WHO FCTC

- Article 9&10 Expert Group (ENSP, FCA)
- Cigarette Ventilation (FCA, The Union)



FCTC/COP8(17)

 Article 13 Working Group on cross-border TAPS and depiction of tobacco in entertainment media (CTFK, FCA, WMA)



FCTC/MOP1(6)

 Protocol Working Group on Tracking and Tracing systems, including the global information sharing focal point and unique identification markings for cigarette packets and packages (ACS, FCA)



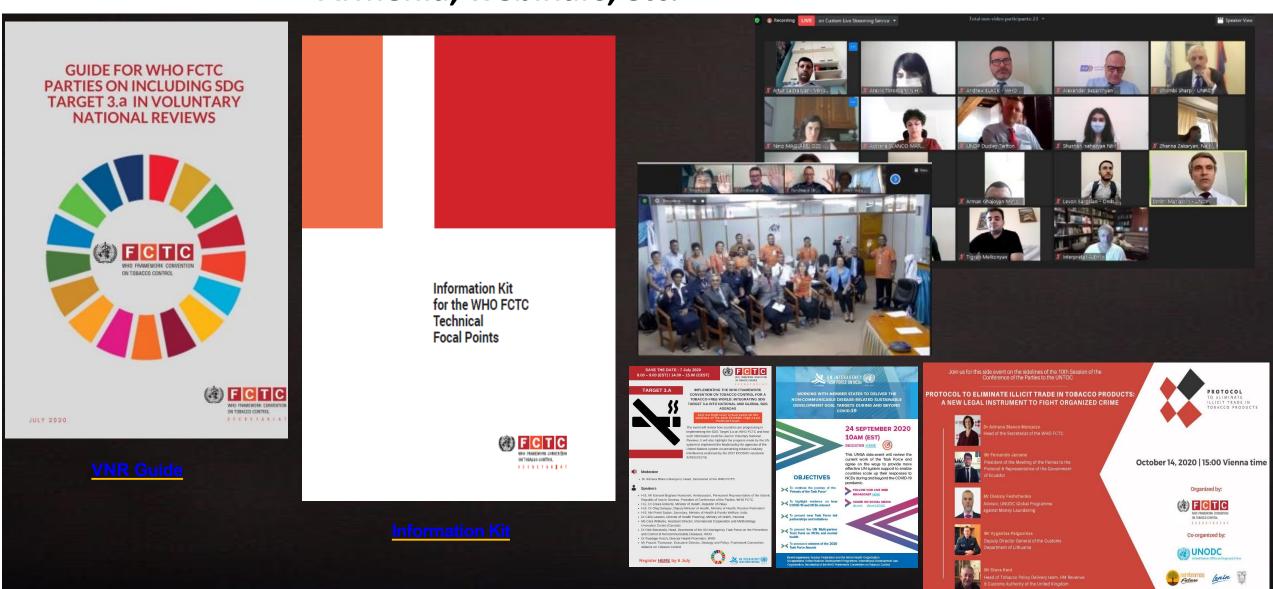
FCTC/MOP1(10)

- Protocol Working Group on Assistance and Cooperation (ACS, ENSP, FCA)

Support to Parties: upcoming resources, virtual launches of new FCTC 2030 pilot countries, first ever virtual needs assessment in Armenia, webinars, etc.

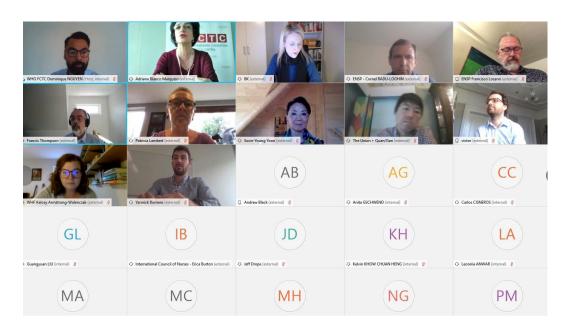


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Critical role of civil society in implementation of the WHOFCTC









- **Strategic Objective 2.2** Catalyze and leverage the contributions of external stakeholders, particularly civil society, to achieve the aims of the Convention.
 - **Specific objectives 2.2.1** Enhance civil society participation including through the adoption of best practices of other United Nations organizations, taking into consideration WHO FCTC Article 5.3.



Specific objective 3.2.2 Promote multisectoral collaborative efforts, including increased collaboration with civil society organizations.

- The Convention Secretariat will convene two informal virtual meetings per year as well as individual consultations with NGOs on specific areas, upon the NGO requests or Parties' needs.
- Recognition of the wealth of expertise and knowledge within civil society organizations, and believes that further exchanges of information will be vital to a greater success of the implementation of the Convention and the Protocol.
- Taking into account that the Secretariat is very much bound to its mandates, through COP decisions, NGOs with observer status to the COP can bridge potential gaps, especially for assistance to Parties, communication and dissemination of information, conducting research and providing evidence-based data.



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Covid-19, the FCTC, and tobacco cessation

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12 November 2020

Data on cessation since early March

Smokers who contract Covid are more likely to get severe symptoms (WHO)

Some suggestion from regional UK data that non-Covid related deaths are higher than would be expected on normal trends (ASH UK webinar)

There are also many other factors that may increase the risks of illness for tobacco users, for example raised blood pressure

Data on cessation attempts since early 2020 lockdown - 1

Compared to data from the same period last year, smokers were more likely to try to stop during lockdown (UK data)

They were also more likely to succeed (self report, no long term follow up)

Not clear what proportion of these attempts were triggered by lockdown (12% in this UK study)

Data on cessation attempts since early 2020 lockdown - 2

The proportion of smokers that used support to try to stop remained stable before and during lockdown, at 50% (UK data)

However the proportion that used remote support rose from 2.7% to 10.9%

(eg. quitlines, text messaging, apps, websites)

With obvious implications for what we should be trying to do to support quit attempts

Conclusions so far - 1

Covid-19 and its associated lockdowns are prompting many tobacco users to try to stop

And are probably increasing their motivation to do so

(because of the potentially severe health consequences)

But by the nature of the pandemic face-to-face support will be much less available/accessible

Conclusions so far - 2

So what is available globally and can we do anything – quickly – to help?

With a focus – obviously – on support that involves minimal, if any, face-to-face contact

Obvious candidates:

Apps including text messaging, quitlines, websites, medicines including nicotine replacement, cytisine where licensed

Reducing tobacco use in health professionals

Table 3.1: Selected studies of GP smoking prevalence						
Country	Method and sample details	Published	% who smoke			
Bulgaria ³	National survey (n=1194) in 8 of 28 regions	2005	44.2			
Denmark ⁶	Postal questionnaire with 313 GPs	1993	33			
Greece ¹⁰	National questionnaire of 1,284 physicians including 370 GPs	2007	38.6			
Italy ¹¹	Regional phone interview	2003	28.3			
Netherlands ¹²	Postal survey with GPs and other physicians.	1990/93	38			
Romania ¹⁴	Survey, details not given, n=1136, p=0.05	2000	43.2			
Slovakia ⁴	European postal survey of GPs	2005	48.5			
Sweden ⁴	European postal survey of GPs	2005	3.7			



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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Prevalence of tobacco use in healthcare workers: A systematic review and metaanalysis

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Abstract

Objectives

To estimate tobacco use prevalence in healthcare workers (HCW) by country income level, occupation and sex, and compare the estimates with the prevalence in the general population.

Methods

We systematically searched five databases; Medline, EMBASE, CINHAL Plus, CAB Abstracts, and LILACS for original studies published between 2000 and March 2016 without language restriction. All primary studies that reported tobacco use in any category of HCW were included. Study extraction and quality assessment were conducted independently by three reviewers, using a standardised data extraction and quality appraisal form. We performed random effect meta-analyses to obtain prevalence estimates by World Bank (WB) country income level, sex, and occupation. Data on prevalence of tobacco use in the general population were obtained from the World Health Organisation (WHO) Global Health Observatory website. The review protocol registration number on PROSPERO is CRD42016041231.

Results

229 studies met our inclusion criteria, representing 457,415 HCW and 63 countries: 29 high-income countries (HIC), 21 upper-middle-income countries (UMIC), and 13 lower-middle-and-low-income countries (LMLIC). The overall pooled prevalence of tobacco use in HCW was 21%, 31% in males and 17% in females. Highest estimates were in male doctors in LIMIC and LMLIC. 35% and 45% and female purses in HIC and LIMIC. 21% and 25%. Het-

More recent data

(still very few up-to-date studies – a seriously neglected area)

229 studies from 2000 to 2016 representing 457,000 healthcare workers in 63 countries

Overall average – 21%

Highest – 35% and 45%

(male doctors in upper and lower middle income countries)

Availability of medications

	% Yes					
	All	High	UM	LM	Low	
NRT gum	72	96	60	61	53	
Bupropion	60	90	58	39	18	
Varenicline	54	88	48	36	6	
Cytisine	14	10	13	19	12	

High=High income countries; UM=Upper middle income countries; LM=Lower middle income countries; Low=Low income countries

Medicines

A recently published study emphasises how few countries have even put stop smoking medicines on their essential medicines list

Just 25% have even one on the national EML

Quitlines and text messaging

Does your country	% Yes
Integrate brief advice in existing services?	44
Have nationwide specialised treatment facilities?	26
Have a national telephone quitline?	23
Have cessation support via text messaging?	17

So what can we do to make the most of the current situation?

- Increase our efforts to persuade and help healthcare workers to stop
- Promote cessation support in publicity material
- Especially text messaging, quitlines, and affordable medicines
- Go back to basics and implement FCTC Article 14 and its guidelines on tobacco cessation more vigorously; implementation of this article is lagging far behind others

Resources

- FCTC Article 14 and FCTC Article 14 Guidelines
- Tools to implement Article 14
 - National Situation Analysis
 - Guidance on developing National Cessation Guidelines
 - Effectiveness and Affordability Review
 - Affordability Calculator (excel spreadsheet)
 - New Zealand cessation guidelines
 - A library of national cessation strategies, guidelines and case studies
- Raw et al 2013 & 2017 surveys on progress in implementing Article 14, published in Addiction
- Walker et al, Addiction, 2016: "Getting cytisine licensed for use worldwide"
- Most of these materials on: www.treatobacco.net







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Smoking Still Kills



The five-year strategy set out in the Government's Tobacco Control Plan for England comes to an end in 2015. Smoking Still Kills proposes new targets for a renewed national strategy to accelerate the decline in smoking prevalence over the next decade. The

report sets out short-term objectives and longer term aims and develops the agenda for tobacco control launched in 2008 with Beyond Smoking Kills. A key recommendation of Smoking Still Kills is for the Government to impose an annual levy on tobacco companies and for the money raised to be used to pay for measures such as mass media campaigns and stop smoking services.

The recommendations have been developed by an editorial board in consultation with an advisory board of academics and experts, and following feedback from four regional events with local and national tobacco control professionals.

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Tobacco Watch report on FCTC Article 14

Ask the Experts

What is cytisine? ¿Qué es la Citisina? Qu'est-ce que la cytisine?

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NCSCT e-cigarette briefing (updated)
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Tools to implement the Article 14 guidelines

These tools have been developed to help countries analyse and improve their provision of tobacco cessation support

FCTC Article 14 Guidelines (2010) also available in Chinese, French, Russian & Spanish.

English

Tools to promote implementation of FCTC Article 14 on tobacco cessation:

Introduction.

National Situation Analysis. Notes on how to conduct this analysis.

National Situation Analysis. A tool to analyse tobacco cessation support at country level.

Guidance on developing national tobacco cessation guidelines.

Healthcare interventions to promote and assist tobacco cessation: a review of efficacy, effectiveness and affordability for use in national guideline development.

Robert West, Martin Raw, Ann McNeill, Lindsay Stead, Paul Aveyard, John Britton, John Stapleton, Hayden McRobbie, Subhash Pokhrel, Adam Lester-George, Ron Borland. Addiction 2015.

Affordability calculator for healthcare interventions to promote and assist tobacco cessation.

New Zealand guidelines.

Link to New Zealand guidelines.

Español

Herramientas para promover la implementación del artículo 14 del CMCT sobre cesación tabáquica:

Introduccion

Análisis de Situación Nacional. Notas de cómo realizar este análisis.

Análisis de Situación del País. Una herramienta para analizar el abandono del consumo de tabaco a nivel de país.

Guía sobre la elaboración de directrices nacionales.

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National cessation strategies

The development of official national tobacco cessation strategies is relatively recent. We will add to this collection as new strategies are published.

England 2011

France 2014

Lebanon 2016

New Zealand 2004

<u>Uruguay 2014</u> <u>Uruguay 2014 (English)</u> Search

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Argentina 2005 Argentina 2011

Australia 2004 - general practice Australia 2007 - pharmacotherapy Australia 2011

Austria 2010

Brasil 2004

Canada 2008
Canada 2010 - pregnancy
Canada 2011 / Canada 2011 en français
Ontario 2007 - nursing

Chile 2003

Czech Republic 2005 Czech Republic - for physicians 2015 Czech Republic - for nurses 2015 Czech Republic - for pharmacists 2015

England 1998 - Clinical England 1998 - Cost effectiveness England 2000

Estonia 2010

Finland 2003 in English Finland 2012

France 1998 / France 1998 in English
France 2004 - grossesse / France 2004 - pregnancy in English
France 2005 - périopératoire / France 2005 - perioperative in English
France 2007
France 2013
France 2014

Georgia 2010

Thank you very much

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HOW TO USE THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC SITUATION TO ADVANCE TOBACCO CONTROL POLICIES:

THE SPANISH APPROACH

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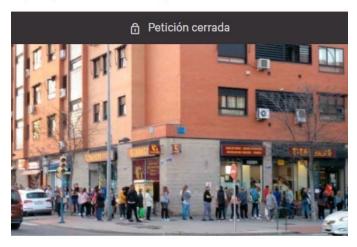
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Stop the sale of tobacco during the state of alarm for the Covid-19 situation

Esta petición ha conseguido 21.967 firmas

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Notumadores, org está inscrita en el Registro Nacional de Asociaciones con el número 172.478

Nofumadores.org questions why tobacco stores remain open during the state of alarm

Tobacco is not a basic commodity and cannot be equated with food and medicine.

Madrid, 15 de marzo de 2020



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Los fumadores son catorce veces más propensos a desarrollar la neumonía del COVID-19

Nofumadores.org demands the immediate closure of tobacco stores for the coronavirus crisis

Madrid. 23 de marzo de 2020



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2. Press releases → 10 digital newspapers appearances

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La organización Nofumadores.org denuncia que los estancos permanezcan abiertos durante el estado de alarma ya que considera que el tabaco no es un bien de primera necesidad

Recuerda que en un estudio publicado por The Lancet sobre pacientes chinos se apunta que el porcentaje de varones en fase crítica del virus dobla al de mujeres y se asocia a la mayor prevalencia del tabaquismo entre los hombres.

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3. Delivery of signatures to the Ministry of Health



4. Reply from the Health Minister



MAY - REOPENING: NEED TO KEEP IN MIND TOBACCO POLICIES DURING THIS PERIOD

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Excelentísimo Sr. Salvador Illa Roca Ministro de Sanidad Paseo del Prado 18-20. Madrid

Madrid, 12 de mayo de 2020

Estimados Sr. Sanchez y Sr. Illa,

Las organizaciones abajo firmantes nos dirigimos a ustedes, para trasladarles la siguiente exposición:

En primer lugar, nos dirigimos a ustedes para agradecerles todo el esfuerzo de su equipo de gobierno en la gestión del Covid-19. Hemos perdido muchas vidas, y estamos perdiendo aún, pero también hemos salvado muchas, y eso lo debemos al trabajo incansable de todos, y en los que respecta a su Gobierno, a la valentía para abordar medidas que resultaban muy duras, muy cuestionadas al principio inicialmente pero que, echando la vista atrás, resultaron muy necesarias y han salvado miles de vidas.

En segundo lugar, no es necesario explicar de nuevo que el tabaquismo, la principal causa de muerte evitable en España que nos cuesta 55.000 vidas al año y nos congratula la disposición del Gobierno de España de avanzar en medidas que eviten dichas muertes. Sin embargo, en la "nueva realidad" que nos ha impuesto esta crisis sanitaria es necesario y urgente implementar una medida de cara a la desescalada que no puede esperar a que pase la crisis pues este es el momento de llevarla a cabo por varias razones: la primera por un claro motivo sanitario, y la segunda porque es un momento en que la ciudadanía lo va a entender y aceptar. Se trata de la hostelería 100% sin humos en espacios exteriores.

El consumo de tabaco podría ser un factor de riesgo de infección de la Covid-19¹ al haberse observado que en personas que fuman existe una mayor expresión de la ACE 2. También ecausa de un peor diagnóstico y evolución de la enfermedad. Así lo ha manifestado la Organización Mundial de la Salud (OMS) ², en varias ocasiones a lo largo de las últimas semanas³ y así también lo reflejan todos los estudios internacionales realizados hasta la fecha, analizando diversos aspectos de la correlación entre el tabaquismo y una peor evolución de la enfermedad Covid-19.

En este sentido, la Universidad de California en San Francisco a través de su Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education, liderado por el Dr. Stanton A. Glantz, ha concluido que el consumo de tabaco es un factor de riesgo de progresión de la enfermedad Covid-19⁴.. Asimismo, un estudio de la Universitat Oberta de Catalunya (UOC) y el Neurocampus de Burdeos (Francia)⁵, apunta a que el consumo de tabaco está detrás de la brecha de género que existe entre la mortalidad de hombre y mujeres por la enfermedad de la Covid-19, cuando si

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verano pasado en Suecia, un país de la Unión Europea, así como en Nueva York. En ambos lugares se cumple y respeta sin problemas. Implementarlo en España nos volvería a poner a la cabeza en la lucha de prevención del tabaquismo como ya pasó en 2010 cuando la ministra de Sanidad socialista Trinidad Jiménez, implementó la prohibición de fumar en el interior de todos los establecimientos de hostelería.

Esta medida no pasa por tener policías ni inspectores de forma constante, sino empoderando a la sociedad al dotarla de una norma que les otorgue el derecho de proteger su salud, una sociedad que, a día de hoy, en su mayoría desconoce que está en su derecho a no fumar pasivamente, por encima de la adicción de fumar o vapear de cualquier otra persona que esté a su alrededor. En estos días, más que nunca, ha sido sumamente importante velar por la salud de los demás, por eso es un momento único para llegar al equilibrio entre la eficacia de la medida y la comprensión de la sociedad por la misma y por el sector de la hostelería.

Sr. Presidente del Gobierno y Sr Ministro de Sanidad, les rogamos tomen en consideración, como urgente, la implantación de esta medida, solicitándoles que prioricen el derecho a la salud en todos sus ámbitos y actúen. Es ahora cuando la ciudadanía, en su conjunto entiende perfectamente la necesidad de tomar medidas drásticas para salvar vidas.

Quedamos a su disposición para seguir trabajando en la lucha contra el tabaquismo y retomar todo lo hablado en la reunión del 20 de febrero.

Los firmantes.

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A letter is sent to the Minister of Health, on behalf of the tobacco prevention agents, asking for restaurants and bars outdoor dining 100% smoke free in view of the reopening of confinement due to COVID19. The letter was proposed by Nofumadores.org and supported by ENSP (European Network for **Smoking and Tobacco** Prevention), FAECAP (Federation of Associations of Community Nursing and Primary Care) and the Lovexair Foundation.

MAY - REOPENING: NEED TO KEEP IN MIND TOBACCO POLICIES DURING THIS PERIOD

2. Reply from the President's Cabinet 3. Reply from the Health Minister



Iván Redondo director del Gabinete de la Presidencia del Gobierno

> SECRETARIO DEL CONSEJO DE SEGURIDAD NACIONAL

Madrid de mayo de 2020

Sra. D^a. Raquel Fernández Megina Presidenta de Nofumadores.org Malcampo, 23 28002 MADRID

Estimada Sra. Fernández

En nombre del Presidente del Gobierno, agradezco el escrito que le ha dirigido con fecha 12 de mayo, que ha remitido igualmente al Ministro de Sanidad, y quiero, en primer lugar, darle las gracias por la expresión de su reconocimiento al esfuerzo del Gobierno en combatir los efectos de la pandemia de COVID-19 en nuestro país.

Por otra parte, en relación con su propuesta para declarar la hostelería 100% sin humos en espacios exteriores aprovechando el actual estado de alarma, y que se incluya esta iniciativa contra el tabaquismo y los cigarrillos electrónicos entre las medidas de las fases de desescalada, le agradecemos que nos haga participes de sus consideraciones y propuestas ante la correlación entre el tabaquismo y el peor diagnóstico y evolución de la enfermedad de COVID-19, puesta de manifiesto por diversos estudios. Como seguramente conoce, el propósito del Plan para la Transición hacia una nueva normalidad es poner a nuestro país en marcha protegiendo ante todo la salud y la vida de los ciudadanos y manteniendo a salvo nuestro sistema de salud.

En él se establece que los principales parámetros e instrumentos para la adaptación del conjunto de la sociedad a la nueva normalidad con las máximas garantias de seguridad, así como el proceso de desescalada y de toma de decisiones se articulará mediante una Orden del Ministro de Sanidad, que asumirá las decisiones necesarias como autoridad delegada, en base, entre otras cuestiones, a las propuestas que las comunidades autónomas trasladen al Ministro, de actividades debidamente justificadas que se desarrollen en sus territorios y que no hayan sido incluidas entre las actividades permitidas en las differentes fases.

Por ello, le comunico que han actuado correctamente al remitir esta petición al Ministerio de Sanidad, autoridad competente delegada para la toma de decisiones en el estado de alarma, en la confianza en que el Ministro tendrá en consideración sus propuestas sobre esta cuestión.

Con nuestro aprecio por su ánimo de colaboración en la gestión de esta crisis, le envío un cordial saludo,



MINISTERIO DE SANIDAD Salvador Illa Roca Ministro

Sra. D^a. Raquel Fernández Megina Presidenta Nofumadores.org informacion@nofumadores.org

Madrid, 12 de junio de 2020

Estimada Sra. Fernández,

Agradezco sus cartas de fecha de 12 y 29 de mayo en la que me trasladan propuestas de varias entidades respecto a una hosteleria libre de humos en la desescalada por COVID-19 y de que todas las playas sean libres de humo y colillas.

En primer lugar, quiero agradecerle el reconocimiento de la entidad a la que representa y del resto de entidades firmantes de su escrito, tanto al esfuerzo que el Ministerio de Sanidad realiza en cuanto al avance de las medidas de prevención y control del tabaquismo, como a la labor realizada en las difíciles circunstancias que estamos atravesando debido a la situación de crisis sanitaria ocasionada por la COVID-19. Durante este tiempo, hemos tenido que hacer frente a una situación de pandemia mundial que, afortunadamente, empieza a remitir gracias al enorme esfuerzo realizado por todos los sectores implicados.

Sin duda, y tal y como expresa en sus cartas, las medidas de prevención y control del tabaquismo deben ser buena parte de la respuesta frente a esta enfermedad, en función de la morbi-mortalidad generada por parte del tabaquismo y en cuanto al mayor riesgo que supone respecto al discurso de la misma.

En este sentido, este Departamento ha puesto en marcha una serie de iniciativas de respuesta inmediata, como la publicación en la página web del Ministerio de recomendaciones ante el consumo en situación de confinamiento¹, las de tipo informativo frente a ciertas afirmaciones sobre la relación entre la nicotina y la enfermedad², o por último, de evaluación y estudio para conocer el impacto de la

The considerations made in your letters and the documentation provided by your entity help us to adopt short and medium-term measures

objeto de que nuestras costas sean espacios libres de numo y colilias.

JULY-AUGUST - NEW NORMAL: DEMAND TO DECLAR OUTDOOR DINING AREAS SMOKE AND VAPORER EX

1. Manifest. Support from other entities

MANIFEST TO URGE THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT TO DECLARE OUTDOOR DINING IN HOSPITALITY BUSSINESS SMOKE AND VAPOR-FREE AREAS



2. Signature collection Campaing

change.org



Terrazas sin humos ¡YA!

Qué hay de nuevo

Detalles de la petición

Terrazas sin humos ¡YA!



Terrazas sin humos ¡YA!

104.476 personas han firmado. ¡Ayuda a conseguir 150.000!



SMOKE-FREE OUTDOOR DINING NOW!

JULY-AUGUST - NEW NORMAL: DEMAND TO DECLAR OUTDOOR DINING AREAS SMOKE AND VAPOR EREE

7 Press releases → 43 digital newspaper appearances

The fight against Covid-19 requires banishing tobacco from outdoor dining in bars and restaurants

Nofumadores.org, the citizen initiative XQNS, and the FAECAP nurses demand for the re-opening smoke-free outdoor dining and a social distance of 10 meters to smoke or "vape".

May 16th, 2020

The reopening decree-law makes the ashtrays disappear from the outside seating and the ground fills with cigarette butts

Nofumadores.org demands that the Government make explicit the smoking and vaping ban in common outside areas

June 11th, 2020

Nofumadores.org demands the immediate smoking ban in the hospitality business

550,000 deaths from smoking since 2010 call for drastic measures

May 29th, 2020

Nofumadores.org demands to the Hospitality Business Confederation to put to an end smoking at restaurant outdoor dining

July 9th, 2020

More than 20 medical and citizen associations demand a Decree-Law to urgently ban smoking in bars and restaurants outdoor dining

Nofumadores.org sends a manifesto to the Government demanding for immediate measures against smoking in public places to stop the Covid-19 pandemic

July 30th, 2020

More than 81,000 signatures ask to ban smoke in hospitality business outdoor dining

Nofumadores.org demands that the Galician law, that bans smoking in the streets, be extended to all of Spain

August 13th, 2020

Nofumadores.org demands an end to smoke on restaurants outdoor dining regardless of interpersonal distance

The association asks the rest of Regional Governments to follow the example of the Balearic Islands

August 31st, 2020

JULY-AUGUST - NEW NORMAL: DEMAND TO DECLARE OUTDOOR DINING AREAS SMOKE AND VAPOR FREE

- 4. July 28th: The MANIFESTO was delivered by email to the Health Minister and the President's Cabinet.
- **5. August 12th:** The MANIFESTO was delivered by email to the Public Health directors of the 17 Regional Governments.
- 6. August 30th: 94,000 signatures collected in the change.org campaign "Smoke-free outdoor dining NOW!" were delivered by email to the Cabinet of the Minister of Health and to all Regional Presidents.

JULY-AUGUST: NEW NORMAL - DEMAND TO DECEMBE OUTDOOR DINING SMOKE AND VAPOR RELE

7. Reply from the Health Minister

... as expressed in the manifesto sent, smoking prevention and control measures must be a good part of the response given to this disease ...

... we have approved the document "Stance of health authorities in relation to tobacco and related product consumption during the Covid 19 pandemic" ...

... I must acknowledge the important contribution of your entity and the other signatories of the manifesto in the materialization of these agreements. Thanks to the collaboration that we started prior to the pandemic, plus the continuous communication work, through your positions and documents, provided to my team during these months, we have had valuable contributions to adopt the measures achieved so far.



Salvador Illa Roca

Raquel Fernández Megina Presidenta de Nofumadores.org información@nofumadores.org

Madrid, 25 de septiembre de 2020

Estimada Sra. Fernández.

Agradezco de nuevo el reconocimiento de su entidad tanto al esfuerzo que este Departamento realiza en cuanto al avance de las medidas de prevención y control del tabaquismo como a la labor realizada en las difíciles circunstancias que estamos atravesando debido a la situación de crisis sanitaria ocasionada por

Como sabe, estamos haciendo frente a una situación de pandemia mundial y en la que, tal y como expresa el Manifiesto enviado, las medidas de prevención y control del tabaquismo deben ser buena parte de la respuesta dada frente a esta enfermedad, en función de la morbimortalidad generada y en cuanto al mayor riesgo que supone respecto a la evolución de la misma. En este sentido, este Departamento ha puesto en marcha una serie de iniciativas de respuesta inmediata que tuve ocasión de trasladarle en mi última y reciente comunicación con su entidad hace algo más de un mes. En este corto periodo de tiempo hemos adoptado dos medidas más con una gran relevancia para el asunto de referencia. En primer lugar, hemos aprobado el documento "Posicionamiento de las Autoridades Sanitarias en relación al consumo de tabaco y productos relacionados durante la pandemia por Covid19". Cabe destacar que estas medidas han sido realizadas mediante acuerdos unánimes con todas las Comunidades Autónomas en el seno del Consejo Interterritorial del Sistema Nacional de Salud, lo que demuestra el compromiso firme que las administraciones estamos teniendo al abordar la lucha contra la pandemia desde sus diferentes aspectos

Dicho esto, debo reconocer a través de esta carta la importante contribución de su entidad y del resto de firmantes del Manifiesto, a las que pido haga extensible mi agradecimiento, en la materialización de esos acuerdos. Así, gracias a la colaboración que tuvimos ocasión de iniciar en el encuentro previo a la pandemia, junto con el trabajo de comunicación continua a través de sus respectivos posicionamientos y documentos que han sido facilitados a mi equipo durante estos meses dificiles, hemos contado con valiosas aportaciones para adoptar las medidas alcanzadas hasta ahora.

Por ello considero de gran utilidad mantener una reunión para conocer más en profundidad la petición de su entidad a través del Manifiesto y para valorar qué nuevas medidas serían necesarias adoptar teniendo en cuenta además el desarrollo que están realizado las diferentes comunidades autónomas a los acuerdos mencionados anteriormente.

Agradeciéndole, como siempre, su apoyo y colaboración para trabajar en todo momento con el Ministerio de Sanidad, me complace continuar esta estrecha cooperación con su entidad con la que hacer frente a los problemas de salud generados tanto por el tabaquismo como por la COVID-19.

Recibe un cordial saludo.

SEPTEMBER: BACK TO SCHOOL - DEMAND TO ESTABLISH A 10-METER SECURITY PERIMETER AT SCHOOL ENTRANCES AND UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES

1. Press release → 14 digital newspaper appearances

Health and citizen associations demand a perimeter without tobacco around educational centers

Spanish universities fail to protect young adults from tobacco

September 3rd 2020

2. Official request to all regional presidents

SEPTEMBER: BACK TO SCHOOL

4. VOX (political party) parliamentary question to the Congress

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PREGUNTA CON RESPUESTA POR ESCRITO

A LA MESA DEL CONGRESO DE LOS DIPUTADOS

DON JOAQUÍN ROBLES LÓPEZ y DOÑA GEORGINA TRÍAS GIL, en sus condiciones de Diputados del Grupo Parlamentario VOX (GPVOX), respectivamente, al amparo de lo establecido en los artículos 185 y siguientes del vigente Reglamento del Congreso de los Diputados, presentan las siguientes preguntas para las que solicitan respuesta por escrito.

EXPOSICIÓN DE MOTIVOS

La Plataforma ciudadana XQNS, la asociación Nofumadores.org, y la Federación de Asociaciones de Enfermería Comunitaria Atención Primaria (FAECAP) han pedido al Ministerio de Sanidad y a las Comunidades Autónomas, el establecimiento de un perímetro sin humo de tabaco ni vapeo tanto en las entradas de los centros educativos como en los centros universitarios desde el inicio del curso 2020-2021.

La legislación actual ya prohíbe el consumo de productos de tabaco en el acceso a los centros, sin embargo, la presidenta de Nofumadores.org, Doña Raquel Fernandez Megina, incide en que "esta medida debe hacerse extensiva a todo el recinto de los campus universitarios, declarándose espacios 100% libres de

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humos desde que se pone un pie en terreno universitario. Esto incluye parques y jardines". Esta medida ya ha sido adoptada por países como Canada, Gales y Australia, la exposición al humo de los menores de edad en las entradas de los centros educativos, además de suponer una actividad de alto riesgo en la transmisión comunitaria de la COVID19, también implica una relajación e incumplimiento en las medidas de control.

Por todo ello, se formulan las siguientes:

PREGUNTAS

 ¿Se ha planteado el Gobierno de España promi un perímetro sin humo de tabaco ni de vapeo en educativos y universitarios?

Has the government of Spain considered establishing a smoke-free perimeter at the entrances of educational and university centers?

2. En caso afirmativo ¿cuán

If so, when would this measure will come into effect?

Palacio del Congreso de los Diputados, a 9 de septiembre de 2020

Georgina Trías Gil Diputada GP VOX Joaquín Robles López

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OTHER HEADLINES

Smokers are fourteen times more likely to develop COVID-19 pneumonia

Nofumadores.org demands the immediate closure of tobacco stores in the face of the coronavirus crisis.

March 23rd

The author of the study on nicotine and Covid-19 received funds from the tobacco companies

Nofumadores.org denounces the interference of the tobacco industry in the pandemic

April 24th

Nofumadores.org reports the massive non-compliance of smokers to wear a mask on the streets

Nofumadores.org points out that the cigarette is used as a safe-conduct not to cover the face

July 19th

Nofumadores.org demands the adoption of urgent measures to reduce smoking because the Covid-19 crisis

The government is asked for a plan that includes a return to normality without smoke in the hospitality industry

April 17th

Nofumadores.org asks the UN to combat the misinformation of COVID 19 spread by the tobacco industry

May 12th

Nofumadores.org requests the extension to all Spain of the smoking ban in the Canary Islands and the Balearic Islands

The ineffectiveness of the two meters apart favors contagion in the middle of the second wave

October 10th

RECAP OF OUR MEDIA CAMPAIGNS

- 16 press releases
- 95 appearances in digital newspapers
- 8 radio interviews
- 6 interviews on TV

RESULTS:

Smoke-free outdoor spaces

Galicia bans smoking on the street and outdoor dining if safety distance cannot be guaranteed

Núñez Feijóo ha anunciado la sorprendente medida, que entra en vigor desde este mismo jueves.



August 12th, 2020

AGREEMENT BETWEEN HEALTH MINISTRY AND ALL THE REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS

Nightlife venues closed down and smoking banned on the street all over Spain

Sanidad ha pactado con las CCAA cerrar los locales de ocio nocturno, reforzar el control de botellones en via pública y prohibir en toda España fumar cuando no se pueda mantener la distancia



August 14th, 2020

El ministro de Sanidad, Salvador IIIa. (EFE)

Health Authorities implement the 'Smoke-free beaches' project by banning smoking in the sands of Cantabria



August 23th, 2020

La Consejería de Sanidad destaca este domingo que ha hecho realidad el proyecto de 'Playas sin humo' que desde la Dirección General de Salud Pública se viene impulsando en los últimos años, con la publicación de la resolución que prohíbe fumar en las playas como medida para prevenir el contagio del coronavirus.

Este proyecto de 'Playas sin humo', puesto en marcha con la resolución publicada el pasado sábado 15 de agosto en el Boletín Oficial de Cantabria (BOC) y que a primeros de mes se presentó a los alcaldes de los municipios costeros de Cantabria con **buena acogida**, tiene como objetivo que las playas y zonas de baño sean verdaderos espacios de disfrute, convivencia, respeto mutuo, ocio saludable y contacto con la naturaleza.

En un comunicado, la directora general de Salud Pública, Paloma Navas, ha explicado que la limitación del tabaco en la costa tiene un **doble objetivo**, centrado por un lado en la mejora de los hábitos saludables y en evitar que los fumadores pasivos estén sometidos al humo y, por otro lado, en mejorar la calidad de la arena y del agua.

Balearic Islands bans smoking in the street, reduces capacity and closes beaches at night

La presidenta del <u>Govern</u>, <u>Francina Armengol</u>, y la consellera Patricia Gómez comparecen tras la reunión con los presidentes y presidentas de los consells insulares, así como con el

...smoking ban in the Balearic Islands in any public space regardless the distance between people,...

piayas y parque se cerraran por la nocne y la obligatoriedad de lievar mascarilla se extiende a los paseos marítimos y a centros de trabajo, aunque con excepciones en este último caso.

TOBACCO

Banned on the streets and outdoor spaces for public use (including outdoor dining), even when you can keep the safety distance

NEW PREVENTION MEASURES

28 DE A



MASCARILLA

Pasa a ser obligatoria también en paseos marítimos. También en centros de trabajo excepto si son al aire librar a constancia de segundados conscios cerrados

con distancia o barrera fisica. También en resultado y bares mientras se espera el pedido y en sobremes



Prohibido en la vía pública y espacios al aire libre de uso público (incluye terrazas), incluso cuando se puede mantener la distancia

Maximo Maximo Sociales Y FAMIL



VELATORIOS Y ENTIERROS Velatorios: máx. 30 pers. exterior, 15 pers. inter Entierros: máx. 30 pers.



50% del aforo en interiores y exte Obligatorio uso de mascarilla mie se espera el pedido y en sobreme



OCIO NOCTURNO Sigue cerrado 15 días más



MERCADOS MUNICIPALES 50% de los puestos





August 26th, 2020



Pioneer: Canary Islands bans smoking while walking

THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE CANARY ISLANDS PUBLISHES THE PROHIBITION, WHICH IS EFFECTIVE AS OF TODAY

RC / E.P. LAS PALMAS DE GRAN CANARIA | 09.10.2020 | 17:56

October 10th, 2020

El Boletín Oficial de Canarias (BOC) ha publicado este viernes, 9 de octubre, las normas adoptadas el jueves en el Consejo de Gobierno del Ejecutivo regional en relación a normas relacionadas con la contención del coronavirus y entre las que se encuentran la obligación de utilizar mascarilla higiénica o quirúrgica para asistir a los centros sanitarios, así como prohibir fumar mientras se camina.



Una persona fuma mientras camina por la calle E.P.

Castilla y Léon prohíbe fumar en terrazas y en la calle cuando no se pu...





Castilla y León region bans smoking on outdoor dining and also in the street when two meters of distance cannot be respected

October 16th, 2020

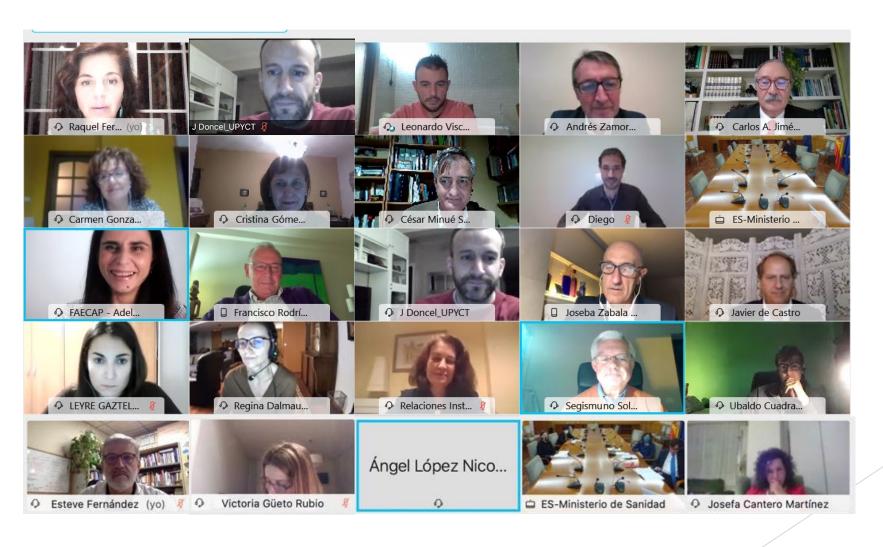
- Las reuniones sociales o familiares pasarán a tener un máximo de 6 personas.
- Se repite la tragedia: muere otra mujer de cáncer sin recibir tratamiento por la pandemia de COVID-19.



Dos agentes de la policía local de A Coruña se dirigen a un hombre que se encontraba fumando en una terraza de un bar de la ciudad.

MEETING WITH THE MINISTER OF HEALTH

October 29th, 2020



CONCLUSIONS

- Don't let anyone tell you this is not the right moment to bring up tobacco issues because we are in the middle of a crisis and the government has their hands full.
- Big Tobacco won't have those considerations and will use the pandemic to misinform the public.
- Look at the Covid-19 pandemic as an opportunity to work on tobacco control measures.
- Be persistent

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THANK YOU

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Recordings from previous webinars and Live Chats on social media: https://ash.org/webinars



Toolkit for Advocates

Talking with government and media about the COVID-19 and tobacco use co-morbidity and policies to protect the health of everyone during the pandemic.

ash.org/covid19



Global action for everyone's health.

NEXT WEBINAR:

Tomorrow at 9:00am ET

ASH with support from its partners, including the Framework Convention Alliance and Corporate Accountability International, will host <u>a week of webinars</u>. These webinars are focused on the FCTC and at times may be more technical than some of our previous webinars, but the topics we will cover, including endgame, liability, human rights, and COVID, will be useful to advocates from every background.

Friday, Nov. 13th:

Closing the Funding Gap for FCTC Implementation at the Global and National Level

Full Description & Registration Link:

https://ash.org/cop2020



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