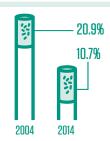
# A Proven Track Record

Wisconsin's Tobacco Prevention and Control Program is lowering tobacco use.

## **Life-changing successes**



# Youth smoking rates keep dropping.

Wisconsin's high school smoking rates have fallen 49% from 2004 to 2014.



# The lowest number of adults yet.

Adult smoking rates in Wisconsin have dropped to an all-time low of 17%.



#### The Wisconsin Tobacco Quit Line helps thousands.

More than 200,000 people have been helped by the Quit Line since 2001.

## The statewide impact

#### **Community education**

### Youth programs

<del>59</del>

of 72 Wisconsin counties served through local tobacco prevention coalitions.

**22K** 

youth reached through peer-to-peer education since 2001.

4,313

retailers visited in 2015 to help keep tobacco out of minors' hands.

### There is still work to be done

15%

of Wisconsin deaths are due to smoking.

**4K** 

Wisconsin kids become daily smokers every year. \$4.7B

Tobacco costs **\$4.7 billion** a year in health care costs and lost productivity.

# New Pathways to Tobacco Addiction

Evolving challenges require new approaches in tobacco prevention.

## **Addictive products tempt youth**



## More youth are trying smokeless.

Smokeless tobacco use among Wisconsin youth increased **67**% from 2012 to 2014.



#### Addiction begins early.

More than **80**% of smokeless tobacco users first tried it before turning 21.



#### Hidden chemicals.

Candy-flavored cigars and cigarillos contain the same toxic and carcinogenic compounds found in cigarettes.



#### Youth fall for flavors.

Popular flavors like bubble gum, cotton candy and fruit punch are hooking kids.





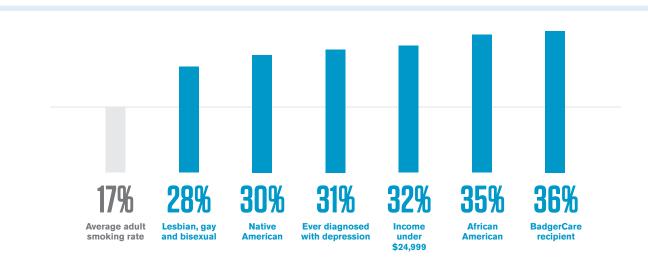
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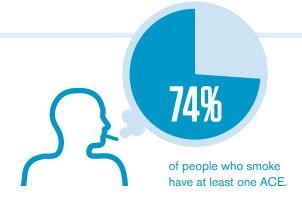
Nicotine slows brain development in adolescents. And two chemicals found in some e-cigarettes-diacetyl and 2,3-pentanedione-have been shown to cause irreparable lung disease.

# The Changing Face of Tobacco Use

Tailored support is needed to reach some populations.

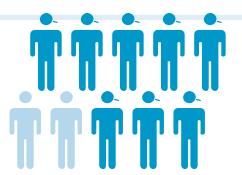
### Some communities use tobacco more than others





# The lingering effects of Adverse Childhood Experiences.

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are negative life experiences that occur before the age of 18 (e.g., abuse, neglect, household dysfunction), are linked to risk behaviors and could lead to negative health outcomes. ACEs are common and more than half of the Wisconsin population has had at least one ACE.



#### Tobacco use and behavioral health.

**Nearly 8 out of 10** people in treatment for substance use disorders also smoke. These individuals are more likely to die from tobacco use than their other addictions.

However, research shows that when individuals quit tobacco and other substances at the same time, they are 25% more likely to stay off both.

# We Can Accomplish So Much More

Together, we can save lives and lower health care costs.

## **Tobacco prevention is a smart investment**



# Huge health care savings.

Dropping the adult smoking rate from 20% to 17% saved Wisconsin an estimated \$1.4 billion in health care expenditures.



1 year of state cigarette tax revenues could adequately fund Wisconsin tobacco prevention for 10 years.

## With more resources, Wisconsin could:

1

**Reach more kids** through expanded community education on the dangers of tobacco.

4

**Build partnerships** to serve those populations hit hardest by tobacco.

2

**Educate more parents**, teachers and community leaders.

5

Expand Quit Line services to **help more people quit**.

3

Support mental health and substance use disorder practitioners **incorporating cessation resources** into the care they provide.

6

Help more tobacco users **take advantage** of Medicaid's robust cessation benefits.

