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Facts and Stats

"B+" average for June

According to Idaho Code 39-5701, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare must inspect each business that sells tobacco to ensure that it does not sell tobacco to minors. In June 2015:

- 156 Vendors were inspected.*
- 17 Vendors sold to the inspecting minor.
- The compliance rate for the month was 89.10%

*Inspections where purchase attempts were made.

Prevent the Sale Website

Preventthesale.com/Idaho

Look for our new game, additional training and point-of-sale resources for retailers, and updated ID information!

Idaho's Project Filter

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Project Filter: Idaho Fights Back

Focused on helping Idaho smokers quit, Project Filter has been highly successful. Since more than 1,800 Idahoans die each year from smoking-related diseases—an average of four people every single day—the Project Filter campaign is literally saving lives. The website projectfilter.org, helps smokers by providing a wealth of information and support for quitting smoking as well as a link to those helping a friend to quit. The cancer.org website provides a list of Do's and Don'ts for friends and family who are trying to help a loved one quit smoking. See the following page for the list:

Helping a Smoker Quit

- Respect that the quitter is in charge. This is their lifestyle change and their challenge, not yours.
- Ask the person whether they want you to ask regularly how they're doing. Ask how they're feeling.
- Let the person know it is okay to talk to you whenever they need to
- Help the quitter get what they need, like candy, straws, veggies, gum, etc.
- Spend time doing things with the quitter to keep their mind of smoking
- Try to see things from the smoker's point of view.
- Make your home smoke free, meaning that no one can smoke in any part of the house.
- Remove lighters and ash trays from your home or anything that reminds them of smoking.
- Wash clothes that smell like smoke. Clean the car if it smells like tobacco.
- Help with chores, like cooking, to lighten the stress of quitting.
- Celebrate along the way. Quitting smoking is a BIG DEAL!
- Do not doubt the smoker's ability to quit.
- Do not judge, nag, preach, tease, or scold.
- Do not offer advice.
- Do not take the quitter's grumpiness personally.

Working with Tribal Governments

Many tribal governments have been working to reduce and prevent smoking among tribal youth. The FDA is working to collaborate and consult with tribes to help them in this process while still respecting tribal sovereignty. American Indian and Alaska Native populations have a 22% smoking rate, which is the highest percentage of all population groups in the United States. By engagement with tribes, the FDA will help with the implementation and enforcement of the Tobacco Control Act and other related regulations.

The FDA is collaborating with tribes through formal and informal consultations, webinars, listening sessions, and retail inspection contracts within tribal jurisdictions. The FDA is authorized to award tobacco retail inspection contracts to tribes, but is prohibited from inspections without the express written content from the tribe involved.

The FDA website contains retailer and compliance training webinars and videos as well as guidance, compliance and regulations of the Tobacco Control Act. Tribes are invited to engage in discussions with the FDA about how to enforce the Tobacco Control Act and prevent the sale of tobacco to tribal youth. Find out more at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm.

Interested in Tobacco Non-compliance Rates?

To find out how Idaho retailers are doing with inspections this year, visit tobacopermits.com/Idaho.



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