

Pharmacy Partnership for Tobacco Cessation Newsletter

The Pharmacy Partnership for Tobacco Cessation Newsletter is a monthly publication designed to keep partnership members informed of current projects and developments.

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1. Website Update

We have added patient handouts in Spanish to our website courtesy of MD Anderson Cancer Clinic and Dr. Alex Prokhorov. There are ten handouts covering such topics as Coping Techniques, Preparing to Quit, Handling Relapse, etc. You may copy and use these handouts as needed at www.ashp.org/tobacco

And remember that the Partnership series on Cessation continues in the ASHP Journal.

2. Joint Commissions Wikipedia Site

The Joint Commissions has instituted a Wikipedia type website for healthcare professionals at <http://wikihealthcare.jointcommission.org> called WikiHealthCare.

According to the site, “WikiHealthCare is [The Joint Commission's](#) interactive forum for health care professionals. It is designed to enable and encourage discussion and collaboration among all users for the purpose of improving health care quality. While The Joint Commission provides the forum, users of the site control its content.”

Any registered healthcare professional can add information to the site. There is currently valuable cessation information on the site thanks to Reason Reyes from the Smoking Cessation Leadership Center. Give it a look.

3. Events and Presentations

The following is a list of events and presentation involving the Pharmacy Partnership for Tobacco Cessation. For further information please contact Frank at vitalef@pitt.edu

- Pennsylvania Pharmacy Association annual meeting, Allentown PA 9/28
- *Smoking Cessation: The Pharmacists' Role* Long Island University Sunday September 30, Crowne Plaza LaGuardia Hotel
- Connecticut /Massachusetts Pharmacy Association annual meeting, Mohegan Sun Casino 10/11-10/12
- Step Up Program, Portland, Oregon presents Rx for Change for hospital based clinicians, 10/19
- National Conference for Tobacco or Health, Minneapolis MN 10/25
Mobilizing Health Professionals for Tobacco Intervention: The Pharmacy Example
- ASHP Mid Year Convention, Las Vegas, *Tobacco Cessation: A Public Health Crisis Needing Pharmacist Intervention*, 12/5

4. Smoking in the News

Two articles for those interested in adolescents and smoking:

The Influence of School Smoking Policies on Student Tobacco Use
Tracie A. Barnett, Arch Pediatr. Adolesc. Med 2007;161 842-848

<http://archpedi.ama-assn.org/cgi/content/abstract/161/9/842?etoc>

Exposure to Smoking Depictions in Movies: Its Association With Established Adolescent Smoking James D. Sargent, Arch Pediatr. Adolesc. Med 2007;161 849-856

<http://archpedi.ama-assn.org/cgi/content/abstract/161/9/849?etoc>

5. Contact Information

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