Quarterly Coalition Meeting!
Hello everyone; W3TFL will be meeting quarterly in 2015. The dates are listed below so mark your calendars!

- Tuesday December 15th 10:00 AM

*The meeting will be held at the St. Croix County Health Department. 1752 Dorset Lane (across from Wal-Mart) New Richmond WI 54017.

According to the CDC, 70% of student tobacco users use flavored products.

- 64% use cigars
- 63% use e-cigarettes
- 61% use hookah
- 59% use smokeless
- 54% use menthol

Limiting access to flavored products could reduce youth tobacco use.

Corey, Catherine G, MSPH; Albirral, Bridgett K, PhD; Appelberg, Benjamin I, PhD; King Brian A. Flavored Tobacco Product Use Among Middle and High School Students 2014. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly. October 2, 2015; 64(38); 1066-1070

Other Tobacco Products (OTPs) Presentations
If your organization/group is interested in learning more about other tobacco products (OTPs), please contact Mary. We would love to come and do a presentation to spread the word!
**FDA Sends Tobacco Regulations for Final Review**

The U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) Center for Tobacco Products has submitted to the White House Office of Management & Budget (OMB) the final “deeming” regulations on cigars, pipe tobacco, e-cigarettes, hookah tobacco, nicotine gels and dissolvable products, according to NATO News.

As reported in a 21st Century Smoke/CSP Daily News Flash, the submission of the final deeming regulations by the FDA to the OMB is the eighth step in the federal government’s nine-step regulatory process to deem whether the tobacco products are under the FDA’s jurisdiction. If the OMB approves the final regulations, then the ninth step requires that the final regulations be published in The Federal Register. Generally, the regulations would be effective 30 days after the date of publication.

According to NATO News, the nine regulations include the following:

1. Manufacturers would be required to register each of their tobacco manufacturing facilities with the FDA, and report any harmful and potentially harmful constituents.
2. Manufacturers would be required to submit a list of the tobacco products they produce and a list of ingredients in each product.
3. Modified risk descriptors such as “light,” “low” and “mild” could not be used to describe a regulated tobacco product.
4. Free samples of the deemed tobacco products would not be allowed.
5. For e-cigarettes and other newer novel tobacco products that were not on the market as of Feb. 15, 2007, manufacturers of these products would need to submit a premarket tobacco application (PMTA) to the FDA within 24 months following the effective date of the final deeming regulations. If a PMTA application is filed with the FDA during this 24-month period, then the manufacturer can continue to market its products unless and until the FDA responds to the application. The PMTA process allows the FDA to authorize the introduction of products into the market where appropriate for the protection of the public health and prevent introduction of products that are detrimental to the public health.
6. FDA enforcement actions can be taken against manufacturers whose tobacco products are determined to be adulterated or misbranded.
7. The minimum age to purchase deemed tobacco products would be 18 years old and retailers would be required to verify through photographic identification the legal minimum age of a customer who is younger than 27 years old.
8. A new health warning would be required on all deemed tobacco products, plus all cigarette tobacco and roll-your-own tobacco, and in all advertisements for these tobacco products. This warning would read: “WARNING: This product contains nicotine derived from tobacco. Nicotine is an addictive chemical.”
9. A prohibition on the sale of the deemed tobacco products through vending machines, unless the machine is located in an adult only facility.

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