

# Vaping and Adolescents The New Public Health Crisis

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# http://www.sbh4all.org/webinars



# **TODAY'S PRESENTER**



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# Nothing to Disclose



e-cigs, vape pens, e-hookahs, e-pipes, tanks, mods, vapes, electronic nicotine delivery systems, or ENDS, JUUL (Juuling), BO, Blue, .....



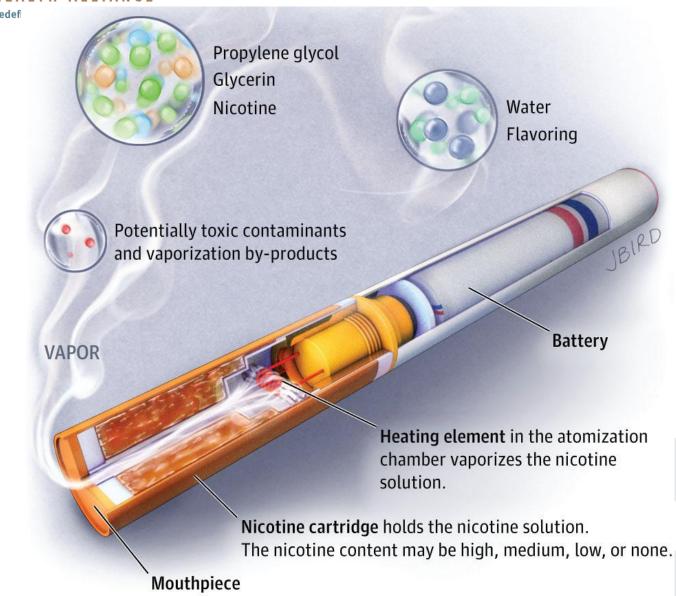


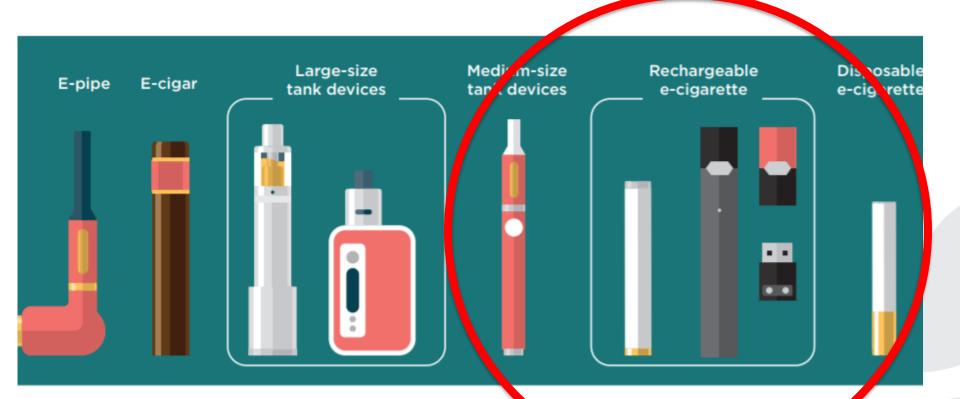
# Vaping: what is it



- Developed in 2003 by Chinese pharmacologist to aide father dying of lung cancer to quit smoking
- Inhaling and exhaling the aerosol (often called vapor) produced by an e-cigarette or similar
- battery-powered device
- Delivers nicotine, THC, and more
- Research on tobacco use is helpful









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# JUUL

- Pods contain e-liquid with highly absorbable nicotine salts
  - Heated into vapor and inhaled
- 1 JUUL pod = 0.7mL of nicotine (5% concentration)
  - Nicotine equivalent of 1 pack of cigarettes (≈200 puffs)





JUULpods \$15.99







10% off 4 or more

**BLU** 

Disposable E-Cigarette -Tobacco Flavor

\$8.99

MSRP \$9.99 | SAVE: \$1.00



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Disposable E-Cigarette -Magnificent Menthol

\$8.99

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About 400 puffs each disposable = 2 packs cigarettes One disposable every 4 days = ½ pack cigarettes per day



# Vape pens and cartridges











# Use of e cigarette:

- Produces an aerosol that contains:
  - Nicotine
  - Ultrafine particles that can be inhaled deep into the lungs
  - Volatile organic compounds
  - Cancer-causing chemicals
  - Flavoring such as diacetyl, a chemical linked to a serious lung disease
  - Heavy metals such as nickel, tin, and lead



# Poll: Why do adolescents vape?

Use by a friend or family member
Taste, flavors
Belief low risk, less harm
Curiosity
All of the above



# Poll question discussion

One in ten youth perceived intermittent cigarette smoking as causing "little" or "no" harm; this perception was higher among current users. Efforts to educate youth about the risks of even intermittent tobacco product use could reduce misperceptions of harm.

"I started at a party, then I bought my own, then I started using it every day.

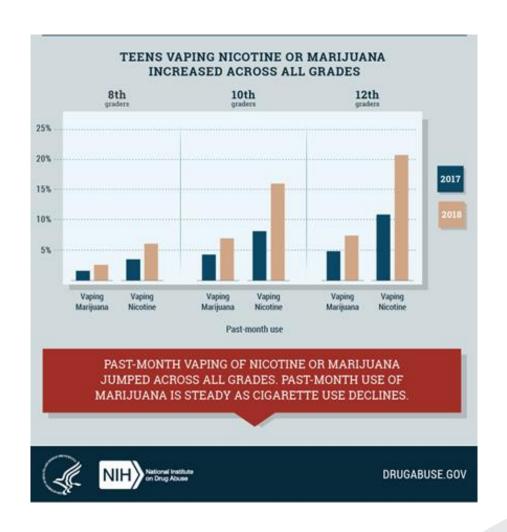
That is all within a month."\*

"My boyfriend gave me one for Christmas."\*

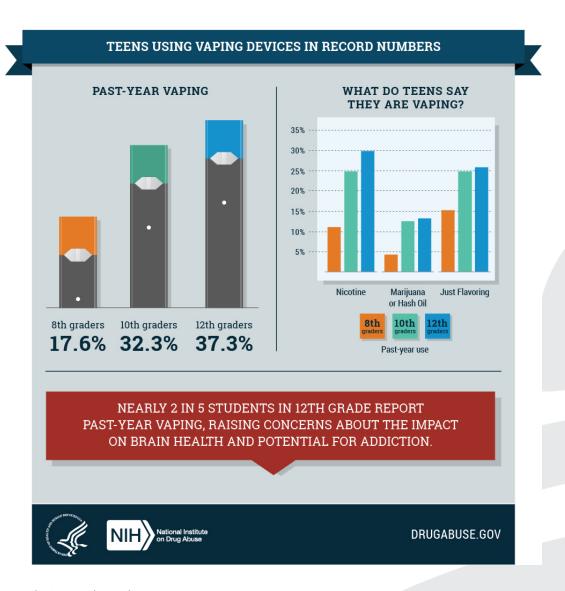
"It smelled good (cotton candy) so I tried and liked it."\*

"My grandfather had one and I tried it, then I got one, then I used it all the time."\*

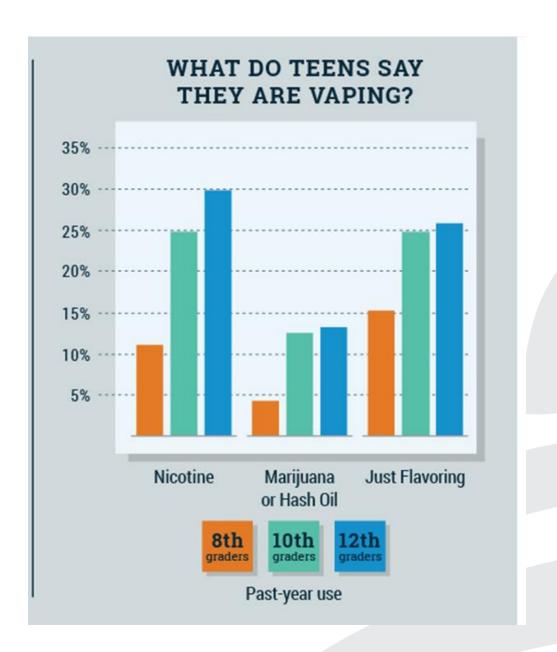
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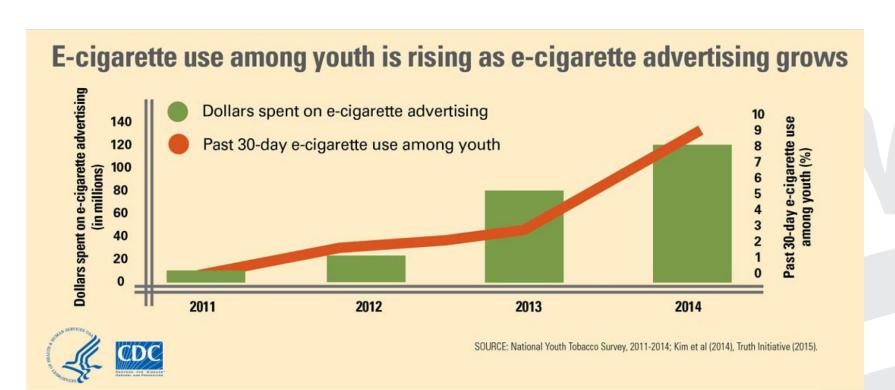


# Poll: Why the increase in vaping in youth?

- 1. Peer pressure
- 2. Increased Access
- 3. Increased Advertising
- 4. Addictive properties

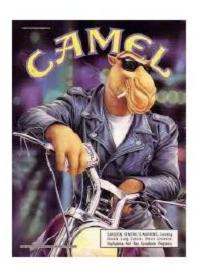


# Why the increase in use?





# What's old is new again









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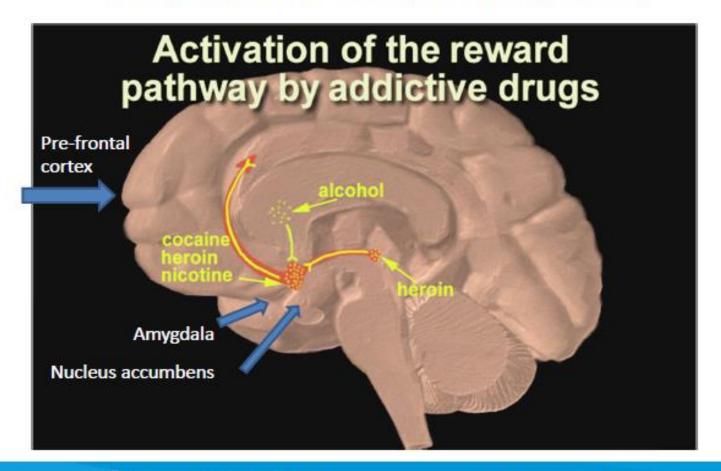


# **Nicotine**

- Nicotine takes 10-15 seconds to reach the brain
  - Effects last approximately 30 minutes
- Short-term stimulant properties
- Acts on Ach receptors
  - produce dopamine, serotonin and glutamate
- Pleasure center activation
- Highly addictive
  - more than alcohol and cannabis; similar to cocaine



# Substance use and the teen brain







# **Nicotine**

The onset of action of nicotine is 7-10 seconds. Elimination half-life of nicotine is 2 to 3 hours, meaning that the level of nicotine in the blood decreases by one half after a smoker stops smoking for that length of time

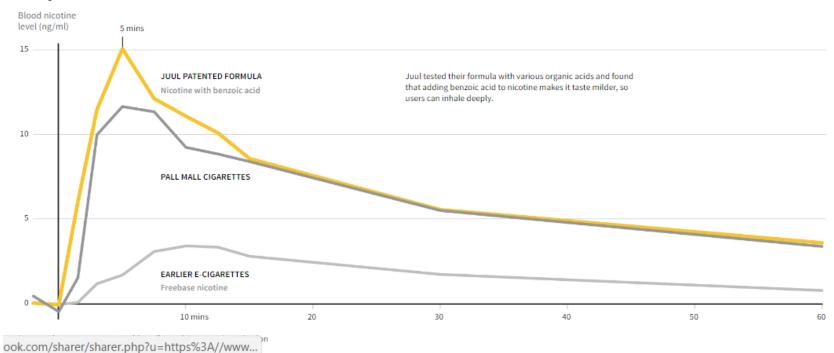
"Nicotine is a powerful drug that meets all established criteria for a drug that produces addiction—specifically, dependence and withdrawal. Nicotine is as addictive as heroin and cocaine, and it has the paradoxical effects of being a stimulant and a depressant. No other drug doses at such a high frequency: a pack-a-day smoker who smokes for 14 years will have more than 1 million dosing opportunities." – World Health Organization

https://www.who.int/tobacco/publications/gender/en\_tfi\_gender\_women\_addiction\_nicotine.pdf



# The Thing about JUUL

### HOW QUICKLY DIFFERENT FORMS OF NICOTINE ENTER THE BLOODSTREAM



https://www.reuters.com/investigates/special-report/juul-ecigarette/

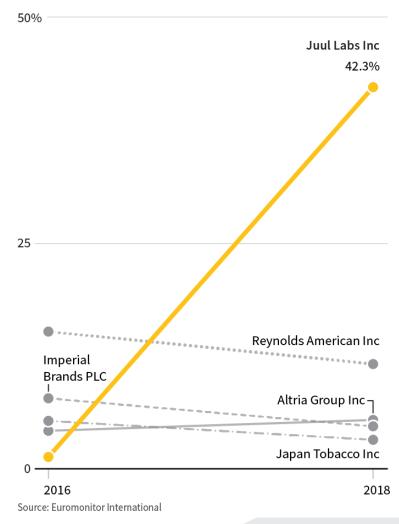


- Developers researched tobacco company settlement
- Focused on first puff
- Stanford tech developers
- Marketing to youth

# Juul's explosive growth

In just two years, Juul captured 40% of the U.S. e-cigarette market.





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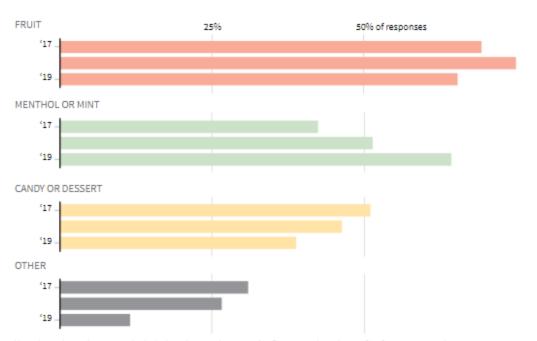


### Flavors drive e-cigarette use among high schoolers

High school students like fruit, mint and candy flavors of e-cigarette nicotine liquids far more than tobacco flavors, survey data shows. Regulators have pressured Juul and other vaping device makers to stop offering flavors that appeal to children.

### MOST POPULAR E-CIGARETTE FLAVORS, 2017-19

Flavors used by high school students in the previous 30 days.



Note: In each year's survey, alcohol, chocolate or clove or spice flavors got less than 10% of responses each.

Sources: National Youth Tobacco Survey, U.S. Food and Drug Administration; Juul

### JUUL POD FLAVORS

Juul stopped selling mango, fruit, cucumber and creme pods in the United States on Oct. 17.





# Vaping THC

# Vaping marijuana?



"Premium wax vaporizer"





"Liquid shatter" pen



The New York Times

Vaping Sicknesses Rising: 153

Cases Reported in 16 States

### The New Hork Times

### First Death in a Spate of Vaping Sicknesses Reported by Health Officials



Since June, 193 people in 22 states have reported vaping-related injuries, the C.D.C. said. Jason Henry for The New York Times

### By Matt Richtel and Sheila Kaplan

Aug. 23, 2019

By Shells Kaples WASHINGTON - Soxtage, states have now reports AUG. 11, 1014 sarious, vapons related respirator, illnesses in the months, and many of the fatients are teenagers of

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**SENEWS** 

# Not just counterfeit: Legal THC vaping products linked to lung illnesses

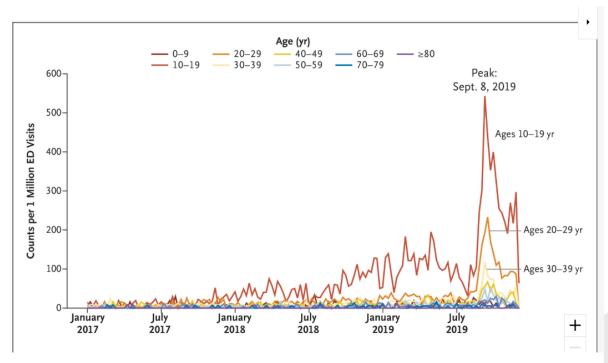
Six patients in Massachusetts reported purchasing THC products from licensed dispensaries.

# E-cigarette Vaping Associated Lung Illness (EVALI)

- Most patients with EVALI have been men and adolescent boys (67%), have been younger than 35 years of age (78%), and have reported using e-cigarette products containing tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) (80%)
- ED visits spiked in June 2019, peaked September 2019, lower incidence as of November 2019
- Vitamin E oil and other substances used to create appearance of higher THC concentration



Emergency Department (ED) Visits with Electronic Cigarette (E-Cigarette) Product Use as the Reason for the Visit, According to Age Group.





# Other Health Implications?

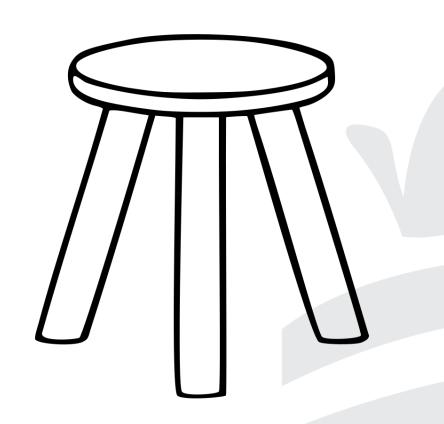
- harm to brain development impairments in attention and working memory
- association with mood disorders and poor impulse control
- increase the risk of young people smoking cigarettes and change brain chemistry in ways that make adolescent brains more susceptible to other addictive drugs
- Possible seizures

https://www.fda.gov/news-events/fda-brief/fda-brief-fda-encourages-continued-submission-reports-related-seizures-following-e-cigarette-use



# Vaping is BAD - So what do we do?

- Prevention strategies
  - Delay use!
- Treatment strategies
  - Behavioral and pharmacologic
- Restorative Justice Strategies for Schools
  - Consequence vs. Opportunity





### **Prevention Campaigns**

#### #ditchJUUL

https://www.thetruth.com/take-action/ditchjuul

#### The Real Cost Campaign

https://therealcost.betobaccofree.hhs.gov/?g=t

#### Make Smoking History

http://makesmokinghistory.org/dangers-of-vaping/schools/

#### Stanford Prevention Toolkit

https://med.stanford.edu/tobaccopreventiontoolkit/E-Cigs.html





About

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#### E-Cigarettes and Vape Pens

→ Unit 1 - Where did E-Cigarettes and Vape Pens Come From?

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Unit 2 "So, What's Really in these E€ Cigarettes & Vape Pens?"

Unit 3 "What's So Bad About E-Cigarettes & Vape Pens?"



This module provides an understanding of the inner workings of e-cigarettes, the content of the aerosols they produce, and thirdhand smoke. It's broken down into 5 units, each of which explore e-cigarettes indepth.

Please note: e-cigarettes, vape pens, etc. may be abbreviated as e-cigs or vapes, and refer to any device similar to an e-cigarette.

Goals

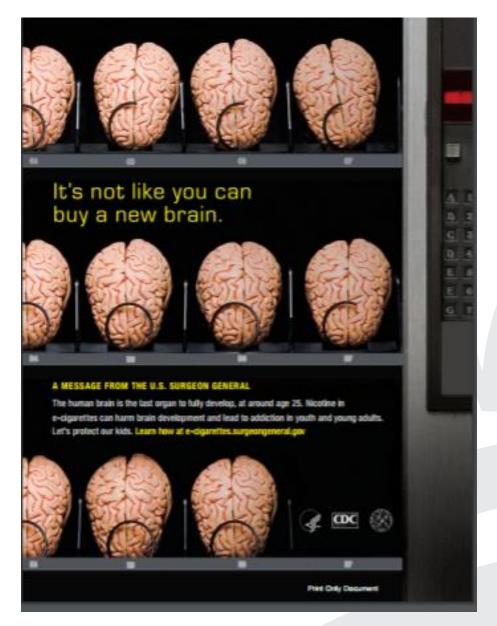
Increase knowledge about hasic facts of e-cigarettes and the harm they cause



# A MESSAGE FROM THE U.S. SURGEON GENERAL

The human brain is the last organ to fully develop, at around age 25. Nicotine in ecigarettes can harm brain development and lead to addiction in youth and young adults.

Let's protect our kids. Learn how at ecigarettes.surgeongeneral.gov





## Technology and anti-vaping campaigns

- Adolescent Counseling and Technology (ACT) for nicotine and tobacco <a href="http://www.possibilitiesforchange.com/">http://www.possibilitiesforchange.com/</a>
- Web based video game intervention for young adolescents: <a href="https://www.smokescreengame.org/">https://www.smokescreengame.org/</a>



# What do we see in youth that have been vaping?

- Increased use sometimes all day long use
- Taking risks to get access to vapes
- Hiding from friends and family
- Vaping alone
- Getting in trouble at school



## Nicotine Dependence Diagnosis

**Tolerance** 

Withdrawal

Craving

Taking in larger amounts or longer than expected

Unsuccessful attempts to cut down

Giving up social, recreational or occupational activities

Great deal of time trying to obtain nicotine

Use despite knowledge of health or social risks

F17.29-, Nicotine dependence, other tobacco products. Electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS) are non-combustible tobacco products



### Treatment of Nicotine Dependence

#### **Behavioral**

Education

Groups

Peer Support

**Provider Support** 

#### **Pharmacologic**

Nicotine Replacement Therapy

Under 18 years requires prescription

Some health plans do not pay for products

Considered off label prescribing



# Opportunities for Restorative Justice Programs



## How have schools responded?



- Searching all students
- Taking doors off stalls in bathrooms
- Locking bathrooms
- No after school activities
- Vaping detectors
- Out of school suspension



### Restorative Justice Approach

#### Repairing the harm caused by the behavior

Change to mindset – an opportunity to intervene for the health of the youth



# Alternative to suspension programs could....

- Identify key people in the school students have to meet with: school nurse, resource officer, health teacher
- Have students investigate health effects of vaping and create a project – video, poster, etc.
- Go to their health center or PCP for an educational appointment
- Attend a multi-session educational group



All offered follow up NP

Behavioral Health

visits, NRT and/ or referral to



Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Chris Lord

Assistant Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Judith Maniatis

Assistant Principal

Initial Referral Date:

Referring Dean of Students: Mr. Krol - A House

suspendable behavior related to vaping.

#### PEABODY VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL "Home of the Tanners"

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Mr. Tarallo - B House



A House ~ Mr. William Krol B House ~ Mr. Edmund Tarallo C House ~ Ms. Ashlen Fidalgo

#### Vaping Alternative Program: Sign-Off

	Mrs. Fidalgo - C House
	Mr. Canty - Community High School
Sessions led by SBHC NPs	I, (name), have agreed to enroll in the Vaping Alternative Program offered by Peabody Veterans Memorial High School in partnership with the Health
Individual or Groups	Center in lieu of suspension/as part of a reduced consequence (circle one) for my recent suspendable behavior related to vaning

As part of the vaping diversion program, I understand that I must complete all of the following sessions as part of the #DitchJUUL Program offered by the Health Center at PVMHS:

Activity	Date Completed	Facilitator Signature
Initial intake meeting with the Health Center.		
Session 1: Dispelling the Health Myths of Vaping.		
Session 2: What are My Choices?		
Session 3: Quitting and Craving.		
Session 4: Maybe I Need More Help.		

Please return the completed form t	(date, 25 School	
Days from Initial Referral Date). Fa	ailure to complete all sessions within the al	llotted time may
result in suspension.		



## Things to remember:

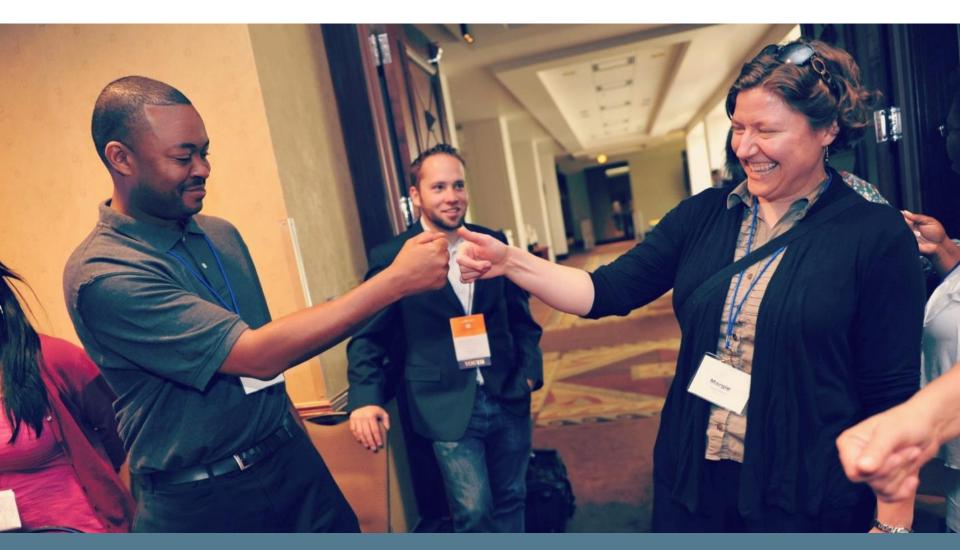
- Vaping is very common in adolescents and has been increasing dramatically the past 2 years
- Nicotine is a highly addictive chemical that effects the adolescent brain immediately
- There continue to be unknown health consequences of vaping
- It is very difficult to "just stop" vaping, many youth need both behavioral and pharmacologic support



# Questions?







BECOME A MEMBER!



# **SAVE THE DATE!**



#### **PRSENTED BY**







#### Thank You!

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