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Welcome to the first edition of the **Colorado research program on Vaping, E-cigarettes, Nicotine and Tobacco (C-VENT)** newsletter. We are building C-VENT as a research program that aims to bring together people conducting diverse research on nicotine, tobacco and vaping around our institution. We hope to create communications and build community among colleagues in diverse disciplines who are studying tobacco, nicotine and vaping. The goal of this community building is to lay the groundwork for collaboration and identify needed resources that will support multidisciplinary research, extramural project or center grants, or possibly develop into a Center in the future. This newsletter is our very first step towards this goal. We hope it generates networking by highlighting the research on nicotine and tobacco happening at University of Colorado. Our next step will be a retreat this summer to bring people together to discuss a shared mission and identify multidisciplinary collaboration opportunities. If you are receiving this it is because I have met with you in my efforts to learn about the tobacco, nicotine and vaping research happening here or because we have found your work on these topics in our searches of publications, grants or other networking efforts. Please let us know if others in your research teams should be added to our list.

We hope that through this newsletter you learn about research or potential collaborators that you didn't previously know about and that you consider joining the

retreat this summer.

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Our inaugural Investigator Spotlight is Dr. Christina Sun from the School of Nursing. She is leading an R34 study funded by NIDA: [Proud to Quit \(P2Q\): A Person-centered mobile technology intervention for smoking cessation among transgender adults.](#)

In this project she and her team aim to develop and pilot test an mHealth smoking cessation intervention for transgender adults: Proud to Quit (P2Q). P2Q will provide tailored messages, peer social support, and self-monitoring features. They will develop P2Q by collaborating with an Intervention Advisory Workgroup comprising of transgender adults and providers of gender affirming health care, and implement iterative intervention design processes and usability testing. Through a remote pilot randomized controlled trial, they will assess acceptability and feasibility of an mHealth smoking-cessation intervention for transgender adults as well as its preliminary efficacy using self-report and objective biomarker data. The project will offer a new tool to address tobacco use in this disproportionately affected population and reach transgender adults in diverse locations to reduce tobacco-related health disparities among transgender adults.

NEWS AND POLICY

How States Can Leverage JUUL Settlement Funds to Promote Public Health

ASHTO

October 31, 2023

Amy Ciarlo, Matta Sannoh

Multiple settlement agreements were awarded to states and local government from lawsuits filed against JUUL to end their marketing practices aimed at youth and to obtain compensation from the financial toll experienced by communities. This article explores how funds can be allocated by the states.

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JUUL Litigation Settlement Guide & Interactive Map

Public Health Law Center

This interactive map contains publicly disclosed settlement agreement reached between Juul Labs, Inc. and the Attorneys General of the states and territories nationwide, as well as settlements on request from the Multidistrict Litigation (MDL) settlements.

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We want to highlight your presentations at Scientific Conferences and meetings and to help schedule University of Colorado dinners at the meetings many of you attend. Please help us by letting us know what conferences you attend for your tobacco, nicotine and vaping research using the link at the end of this newsletter.

[Society of Behavioral Medicine](#) (March 14-16, 2024, Philadelphia, PA)

[American Society of Preventive Oncology](#) (March 17-19, 2024, Chicago, IL)

[Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco](#) (March 20-23, 2024, Edinburgh, Scotland)

[American Society of Addiction Medicine](#) (April 4-7, 2024, Dallas, TX)

[American Thoracic Society](#) (May 19-24, 2024, Washington, DC)

[Society for Prevention Research](#) (May 28-31, 2024, Washington, DC)

[Thomas L. Petty Aspen Lung Conference](#) (June 4-7, 2024, Aspen, CO)

[Academy Health Annual Research Meeting](#) (June 29-July 2, 2024, Baltimore, MD)

[Public Health in the Rockies](#) (September 24-26, 2024)

[American Public Health Association Annual Meeting](#) (Oct 27-30, 2024, Minneapolis, MN)

[World Conference on Lung Health \(The Union\)](#) (next conference date and location to be announced)

[Click here to let us know where you present your tobacco/nicotine related work](#)

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Save the Date for C-VENT Inagural Retreat
June 28th, 2024

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

To share the great work around campus we have created a search to identify the new tobacco and nicotine research published by University of Colorado researchers. Please send us additional papers to highlight, it will help us to refine our search!

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

RFA-OD-23-017 Tobacco Regulatory Science (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

The purpose of this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is to invite R01 applications to support biomedical and behavioral research that will provide scientific data to inform regulation of tobacco products to protect public health. Research Projects must address the research priorities related to the regulatory authority of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Center for Tobacco Products (CTP). The awards under this NOFO will be administered by NIH using funds that have been made available through FDA CTP and the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act (P.L. 111-31). Research results from this NOFO are expected to generate findings and data that are directly relevant in informing the FDA's regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and marketing of tobacco products to protect public health. For more information visit <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-23-017.html>

Explore other funding opportunities

- [Funding Landscape | Research Development and Strategy \(cuanschutz.edu\)](#)
- [Research Grant Process | American Cancer Society](#)
- [Tobacco Regulatory Science Program Funding Opportunities | ODP \(nih.gov\)](#)
- [Funding Opportunity Announcements | Smoking and Tobacco Use | CDC](#)
- [Tobaccoeducation, prevention and cessation grant program | Department of Public Health& Environment \(colorado.gov\)](#)

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