



Marijuana Legalization

Implications and Considerations for Tobacco Prevention & Control Programs



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Impact on youth initiation and use (both products)

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Impact on tobacco use and dependence



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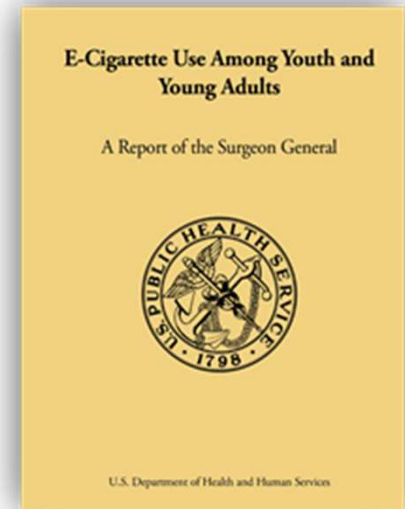
Threat to smoke-free air policies

Overlapping of products, which can lead to co-use and complicate surveillance

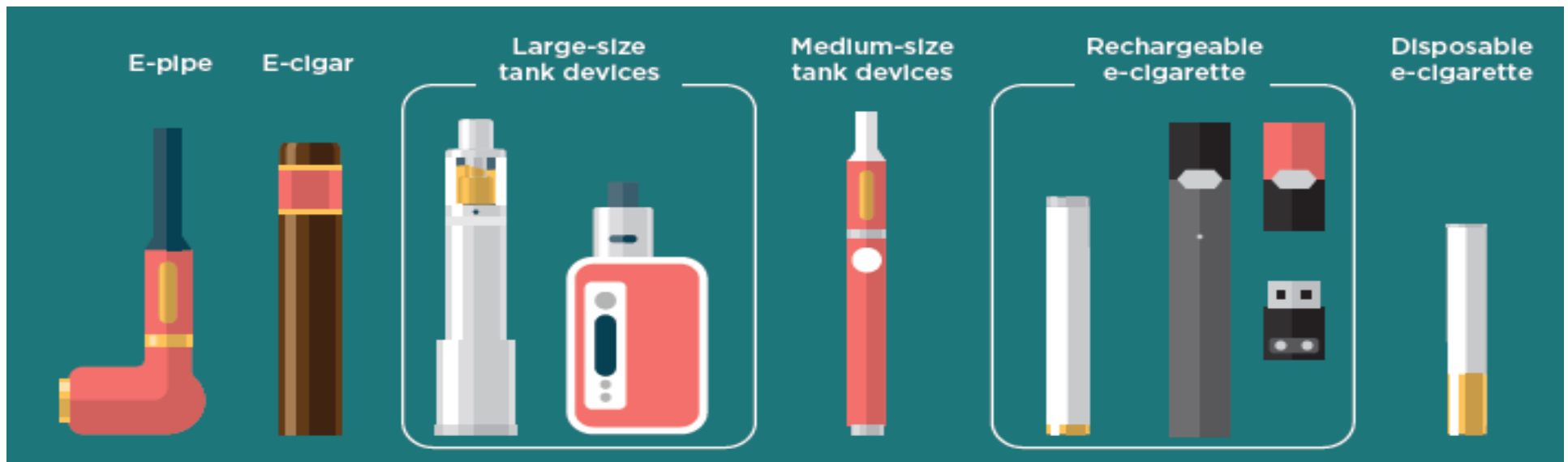
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E-cigarettes and marijuana



“E-cigarette products can be used as a delivery system for cannabinoids and potentially for other illicit drugs.”



Source: U.S Department of Health and Human Services. *E-cigarette Use Among Youth and Young Adults*. Office of the Surgeon General, HHS, CDC Office on Smoking and Health. 2016.

**Actual USB
Flash Drive**



**Nicotine
e-cigarettes
(JUUL, MarkTen
Elite)**



**Marijuana
“vaporizer”
(Pax Era)**



Considerations

Importance of addressing public health concerns in an objective manner



Limitations of scientific evidence and research related to harms and potential health benefits



Impact of legal marijuana use on adult tobacco use, youth initiation of tobacco, and social norms around smoking



Difficulties drawing focus to smoke-free with so many other issues that impact public health and public safety



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