

The department shall encourage either through mandates or by cooperation opportunities to help reduce tobacco use and assist those who use tobacco products through the following approaches:

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WIC, TANF, Medicaid, CHIP, AMDD services, senior long term care services and other Department programs and services shall identify opportunities to incorporate brief cessation counseling using the US Public Health Services 5As approach ( ask, advise, assess, assist, arrange ) into their work. MTUPP shall be requested to provide training and educational materials. Any opportunities identified above, should be done but also not to limit access to care.

Where appropriate existing mailings that are made to recipients of state supported programs should routinely include the quit line information.

State owned/operated inpatient facilities should allow and encourage patients to access the quit line including nicotine replacement therapy.

**Where it will not create a perceive burden on providers,** Montana Medicaid Providers should be required to incorporate brief cessation counseling into their office visits and tracking systems.

Implementation might include:

DPHHS to provide training to providers and ancillary staff re:5as

DPHHS to provide chart stamps to document tobacco use and 5as

DPHHS to provide chart audits to HCPs, beginning with larger providers.

Where appropriate the department should require or request that medicaid provider mailings include the quit line info every 6 months.

The department should consider the elimination of the co-payment for nicotine replacement therapy if the recipient is participating in quit line counseling.

The department should under Medicaid extend the currently limited nicotine replacement therapy coverage and make it available to Medicaid recipients as long as they are in counseling with the quit line or another evidence-based cessation counseling program

The department should consider having medicaid recipients in counseling with the quit line to receive nicotine replacement therapy directly from the quit line instead of jumping through the hoops currently required.

The department and MTUPP should explore using quit lines services provided to Medicaid recipients to leverage increased federal match monies.

Miami home visiting could incorporate brief cessation counseling using the 5as into their protocols.

MTUPP should explore using envelopes that include the MT Tobacco Quit line phone number. All Dphhs programs should look at doing the same as well as the dept should encourage all state government agencies to do the same.

The Dept should look at the MTUPP RFP /contract Language currently includes the following and other programs could do the same.

**Tobacco Product/company statement.** The contract must provide a statement that the offeror, or it's subcontractors, will not accept any work involved in the production, processing, distribution, promotion, sale, or use of tobacco products or tobacco companies during the term of this contract.

**Tobacco-Free Workplace Policy.** The contractor must provide evidence of a tobacco-free workplace policy.

The Department should work with the following state Departments on possible State of Montana

approaches to reduce tobacco use:

Cigarette/tobacco stamps could include quit line phone number ( Department of Revenue)

Correction facilities could allow inmates to access the quit line including nicotine replacement therapies ( department of Corrections)

All state contracts for services could require smoke-free workplaces ( Department of Administration).  
State employees insurance coverage could include coverage for cessation and nicotine replacement therapies ( Department of Administration)

Public schools, colleges and universities that receive state money could be required to have comprehensive tobacco free policy ( campus, 24/7, youth & adults, off-campus events) and Not to use tobacco industry produced materials ( OPI, Dept of Education, Board of Regents, University System).

State Motor pool vehicles could all be smoke-free ( Department of Transportation).

Travel Montana could collaborate with MTUPP to actively promote smoke-free restaurants, bars, casinos, hotels, etc., on website, promotional materials, advertising, etc. ( Department of Commerce).

All state sponsored meetings could be required to be held in smoke-free facilities unless unavailable ( Department of Administration).

State Wellness committee to provide peer-support group for those employees involved with quit line ( department of Administration).

The department shall report in writing to members of the subcommittee of Human Services beginning on July 1, 2005 and then on July 1, 2006 on progress of implementing these recommendations. Included in the letter should be any results made or why certain recommendations were not implemented and the reasons for no implementation. The letter should include progress made as well as possible new recommendations that the department will implement on their own.