

November 2022 Wellness Coalition Newsletter



Hello Wellness Coalition Members,

Happy Fall! Exciting news in the tobacco world. Read below for the inside scoop!

California Bans Flavored Tobacco Products

On November 8, 2022, California voters overwhelmingly passed Proposition 31, effectively prohibiting the sale of most flavored tobacco products in California and delivering a victory for Californians over the tobacco industry. This ballot measure upholds a state law, Senate Bill 793 (Chapter 34, Statutes of 2020), that Governor Newsom signed in 2020 but has been suspended for more two years after the tobacco industry initiated a referendum effort to prolong sales of flavored tobacco products. The following tobacco products are now prohibited:

- *Flavored e-cigarettes or vapes, e-juice, pods, or cartridges,*
- *Menthol cigarettes,*
- *Flavored little cigars and cigarillos,*
- *Flavored loose leaf roll-your-own tobacco,*
- *Flavored smokeless tobacco products,*
- *Flavored Tobacco Rolling Papers, and*
- *Tobacco product flavor enhancers.*

This law will take effect the fifth calendar day after the Secretary of State certifies the election results. Certification is expected on December 16, 2022, and the law is anticipated to go into effect on December 21, 2022.

The passing of Proposition 31 to uphold SB 793 is a huge win for California's tobacco prevention efforts and the protection of youth and priority populations. This law is especially important because it will ban the sale of menthol cigarettes in California, which was notably the only cigarette flavor exempted in the 2009 Family Smoking and Prevention and Tobacco Control Act's ban on flavored cigarettes in the United States.

California is the second state in the nation, after Massachusetts, to pass a broad law prohibiting the sale of most flavored tobacco products. Thank you to our voluntary organizations, evaluation and surveillance contractors, and community partners for the hard work you have done on local policies that laid the foundation for this new state law.

Upcoming Coalition Meeting

Next Wellness Coalition meeting will be December 6th, 2022 via zoom from 10:00 a.m-11:30 a.m.

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88201433162pwd=aTBpamZSL09PN2piTE9MTkwwT2hIU09>

If you are interested in joining our coalition and presenting at our next meeting please contact Crystal Ortiz at crortiz@cosb.us

UPDATES

Coalition members tabled at the annual Red Ribbon event hosted by San Benito County Behavioral Health Department. Partnered with the SBC Oral Health Program to offer tobacco cessation resources and education on oral health and tobacco usage.



TOBACCO NEWS & SBC OPIOID TASK FORCE SPOTLIGHT



In November 2022, FDA and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) [released federal data](#) from the 2022 National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS) on youth tobacco use in the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report: “[Tobacco Product Use among Middle and High School Students – United States, 2022](#).” Findings show that in 2022, more than 1 in 10 middle and high school students

SAN BENITO COUNTY OPIOID TASK FORCE



This month, the Wellness Coalition would like to highlight one of its members: The San Benito County Opioid Task Force. The SBC OTF is a local coalition that was founded in 2017 and is committed to preventing opioid overdoses and

(3.08 million) had used a tobacco product during the past 30 days - including 16.5% of high school and 4.5% of middle school students.

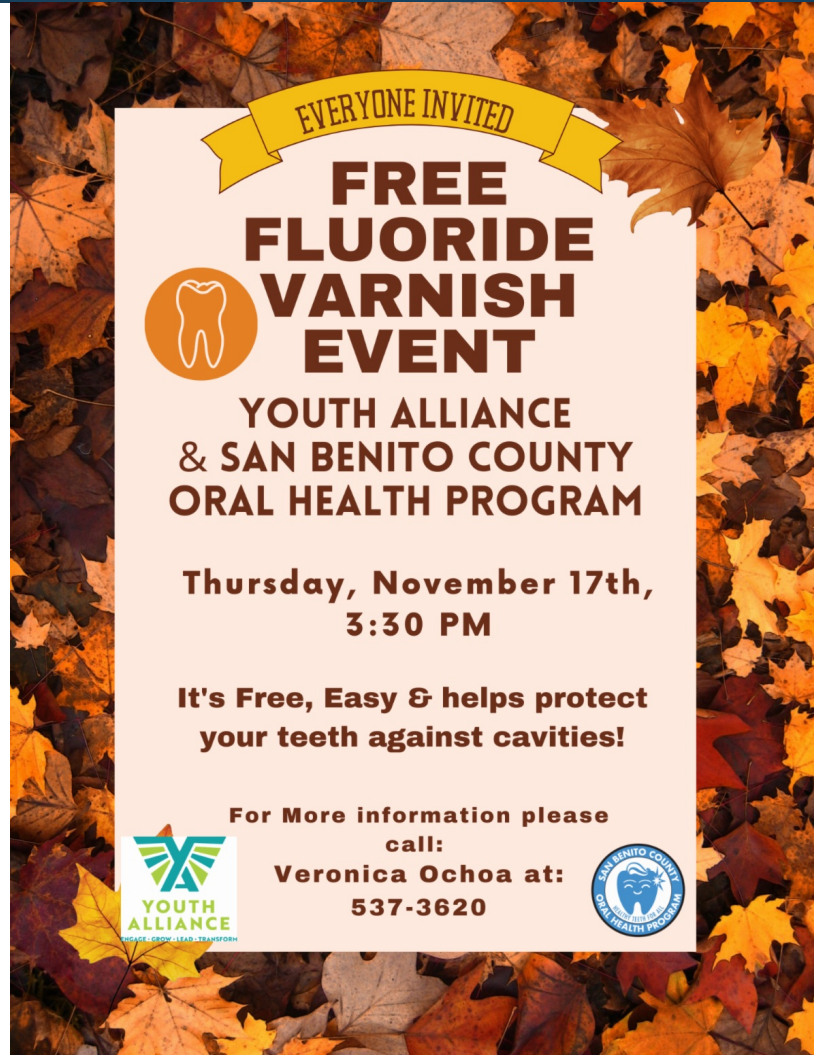
Tobacco Product Use Among Middle and High School Students – United States, 2022 Report

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deaths in the county through prevention efforts that include: safe medicine disposal, safe prescribing, medication assisted treatment, naloxone training and distribution and educational outreach.


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ANNOUNCEMENTS



EVERYONE INVITED



**FREE
FLUORIDE
VARNISH
EVENT**

 **YOUTH ALLIANCE
& SAN BENITO COUNTY
ORAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

**Thursday, November 17th,
3:30 PM**

**It's Free, Easy & helps protect
your teeth against cavities!**

For More information please
call:
**Veronica Ochoa at:
537-3620**



GRATIS



SEMANAL

CLÍNICA DE VACUNACIÓN CONTRA LA GRIPE Y EL COVID-19

Refuerzo **Actualizado** disponible para todos 5 años+
Vacuna contra la gripe disponible para todos 6 meses+

MIÉRCOLES
5 AÑOS Y MAYORES

11-12:30pm
& 2-4pm

JUEVES
6 MESES-
11 AÑOS

2-4pm

Servicios De Salud Pública
Del Condado De San Benito
351 Tres Pinos Rd. Ste B
Hollister, CA

Programa una cita en myturn.ca.gov
Cita no es requerida



OPTUMSERVE MOBILE SERVICES

FREE COVID-19 PCR AND RAPID ANTIGEN TESTING & TREATMENT WALK-INS WELCOME

The test-to-treat program will provide access for eligible patients to receive a prescription oral antiviral (Paxlovid or Molnupiravir) at the test site.

OPEN 09:00AM-5:00PM

CLOSED 1:00PM-2:00PM

WEDNESDAY: BRIGANTINO PARK
2073 San Juan Hollister Road, Hollister

THURSDAY: SAN JUAN SCHOOL SOCCER FIELD
100 Nyland Drive, San Juan Bautista

FRIDAY: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
7290 Airline Highway, Tres Pinos

SATURDAY: BRIGANTINO PARK
2073 San Juan Hollister Road, Hollister

SUNDAY: BRIGANTINO PARK
2073 San Juan Hollister Road, Hollister

**COVID-19 Testing & Treatment also
available (Walk-In or Appointment)
@ Hazel Hawkins Community Health Center**
930 Sunset Drive, Building 2, Suite B
Hollister, CA, 95023

**Sundays, Tuesdays & Thursdays
7:00AM-3:00PM**

Register online at
www.lhi.care/covidtesting
or call 888-634-1123



Schedule a COVID-19 vaccine or booster at myturn.ca.gov

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PCR COVID-19 GRATIS,
PRUEBAS Y TRATAMIENTO RÁPIDO DE ANTÍGENOS
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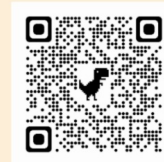
El programa de prueba para tratar brindará acceso a los pacientes elegibles para recibir una antiviral oral recetada (Paxlovid o Molnupiravir) en el sitio de prueba.

ABIERTO 09:00AM-5:00PM
CERRADO 1:00PM-2:00PM

MIÉRCOLES: PARQUE BRIGANTINO
2073 San Juan Hollister Road, Hollister
JUEVES: CAMPO DE FÚTBOL DE LA ESCUELA SAN JUAN
100 NYLAND DRIVE, SAN JUAN BAUTISTA
VIERNES: IGLESIA CATÓLICA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN
7290 Airline Highway, Tres Pinos
SÁBADO: PARQUE BRIGANTINO
2073 San Juan Hollister Road, Hollister
DOMINGO: PARQUE BRIGANTINO
2073 San Juan Hollister Road, Hollister

Pruebas y tratamiento de COVID-19 también disponibles (cita no requerida) en el Centro de Salud Comunitario Hazel Hawkins
930 Sunset Drive, Edificio 2, Suite B
Hollister, CA, 95023

Regístrate en www.lhi.care/covidtesting
o llame 888-634-1123



Domingo, Martes y Jueves
7:00AM-3:00PM

Programa una cita para la vacuna contra el COVID-19 en myturn.ca.gov

***** Will be closed on 11/24/2022 and 11/25/2022*****

Would like to share an announcement? Email our Program Coordinator at cortiz@cosb.us

Cessation Resources

Ready to Quit?

Kick It CA is a free program that helps Californians kick smoking, vaping, and smokeless tobacco with the help of proven, science-based strategies.

Take the first step toward quitting.

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For more information:
San Benito County Tobacco Education Program
351 Tres Pinos Rd, Suite A-202
Hollister, CA 95023
Tel: (831) 637-5367

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

San Benito County Tobacco Education Program Coalitions

Visit our website