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Welcome & Introduction Asha Banks, CDC Office on Smoking and Health

Importance of Reducing Retailer Density Sharon Lipperman-Kreda, Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation

Strategies to Reduce Retailer Density Sara Bartel, ChangeLab Solutions

San Francisco's Density Reduction Ordinance Derek Smith, San Francisco Department of Public Health

Q&A

Poll Question

What has your community done to reduce tobacco retailer density?

- 1. No formal activities
- 2. Planning/advocating (collecting data/doing education)
- 3. Policy/policies proposed
- Policy/policies enacted/passed (please specify in chat box)
- 5. Policy/policies implemented/in place (please specify in chat box)



IMPORTANCE OF REDUCING OUTLET DENSITY AS TOBACCO CONTROL STRATEGY

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Research About Tobacco Outlet Density:

□ Effects of outlet density and/or proximity of outlets to residential areas or schools on:

Adult and/or young adult tobacco use behaviors Adolescent tobacco use behaviors

Density of outlets in different areas or neighborhoods to understand social and health disparities

Research Among Young Adults and Adults:

- Outlet density and/or proximity to homes
- Mostly about cigarette smoking
- Primary outcomes examined: past month use, initiation, intention to quit, abstinence, and pro-cessation attitudes
- □ Findings provide evidence that tobacco outlet density and/or proximity of outlets to homes matter for young adult and adult cigarette and tobacco use behaviors and for cessation efforts

Research Among Young Adults and Adults:

- □ Intention to quit cigarette smoking (Kirchner et al., 2016)
- Past month tobacco use, race and gender (Brown et al., 2016)
- Urges to smoke (Watkins et al., 2014)
- □ The role of high poverty (Cantrell et al., 2015)
- □ Initiation of different types of tobacco/nicotine products (Cantrell et al., 2016)

Research Among Adolescents:

- Outlet density and/or proximity to homes and/or schools
- Mostly about cigarette smoking
- Primary outcomes examined: Lifetime and past month use, smoking intention/ susceptibility, experimental smoking, school smoking prevalence, cigarette purchases, and tobacco beliefs
- Findings provide evidence that tobacco outlet density and/or proximity of outlets to homes and schools matter for adolescents' cigarette smoking, initiation and beliefs

Research Among Adolescents:

- Outlet density in city of residence, lifetime cigarette smoking and age (Lipperman-Kreda et al., 2016)
- Outlet density around schools and cigarette purchases in New Zealand (Marsh et al., 2015)
- Past month smoking and outlet density and proximity to homes and schools (Lipperman-Kreda et al., 2014)
- School smoking prevalence (Henriksen et al., 2008)
- Density of outlets and clean air laws (Lipperman-Kreda et al., 2012)

Research Among Adolescents – Activity Spaces



Measures of exposure to tobacco outlets around homes and schools may underestimate youth exposure to tobacco outlets in their environments

Research About Outlet Density In Different Areas Or Neighborhoods

- Examined and characterized areas or neighborhoods with high versus low outlet density
- Identified disparities in outlet density related to the proportion of Blacks, Hispanics, and families living in poverty within an area
- A national study showed that these associations are different for urban versus rural areas (Rodriguez et al., 2014)
- □ These studies provide evidence about greater density of tobacco outlets in disadvantage areas/communities

Future Research

- □ Stronger research-based evidence is needed to support policies and community efforts to control the number of tobacco outlets and their proximity to specific areas
- Research about specific areas/locations, other than homes or schools, that may be important to regulate
- Populations who might be more responsive to exposure to tobacco outlets in their daily environments

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Strategies & Legal Considerations for REDUCING Tobacco Retailer DENSITY

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Strategies to reduce density

- Addressing existing retailers
- Legal considerations









































































The Issue of Concern:

- Over concentration of retail outlets selling tobacco in neighborhoods with more low-income residents, communities of color and youth
- High prevalence of stores that sell tobacco associated with high smoking rates and more litter



- Public Opinion surveys on limiting density
- Interview gov't agencies & decision-makers
- · Interview retailers: opinions about tobacco regulation and sale
- Collect data on tobacco permits, from tax collector, Census demographics (SES, youth, POC) by Supervisorial District

Literature review on the issue & other jurisdictions



- District 6 (Tenderloin & SOMA) = highest density of retailers
- 70% of all schools were within 1000 ft of tobacco outlets
- Retailers claim profits from tobacco are 10-30% of revenue
- Concurrent Healthy Retail Approach- trend emerging toward alternative retail models











District	# of Stores that Sell Tobacco*	Tobacco Retailer Density (%)	Median Household Income**
6 (SOMA/Tenderloin)	180	19%	\$37,431.00
3 (Chinatown/North Beach)	180	19%	\$45,513.00
9 (Mission/Castro)	114	12%	\$67,989.00
(Western Addition/Haight)	94	10%	\$67,331.00
10 (Bayview)	69	7%	\$55,487.00
8 (Twin Peaks)	72	7%	\$95,930.00
1 (Richmond)	59	6%	\$74,668.00
11 (Outer Mission)	58	6%	\$71,504.00
2 (Marina)	56	6%	\$105,509.00
4 (Outer Sunset)	51	5%	\$77,376.00
7 (Inner Sunset)	37	4%	\$94,121.00
Total	970		
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TURF Project Action

Activities

- Educational packet
- Media Advocacy: PSAs, Radio and News media
- Organization Endorsements: over 900
- Engaged Key Stakeholders: Arab-American Grocers Association (AAGA)
- Secured decision-maker sponsor: Supervisor Eric Mar, District 1
- Developed and modified policy with AAGA & Mar's office























Evaluation-Year 1 970 Stores



- Ordinance took effect 1/17/15
- New location license applications were denied
- As stores went out of business or changed ownership, they were no longer eligible for licenses
- The decline is most pronounced in the two notably over-concentrated communities we highlighted at the start of the project (Chinatown and Tenderloin/SOMA)





Does capping license availability work?

- We have seen a 10.2% reduction in total number of tobacco retailers in the first 15 months through attrition
- No availability of licenses near schools/other retailers and no new locations means effective freeze on growth of vape shops
- Caveat: San Francisco is rapidly changing demographically and economically- gentrification is playing a role

Lessons Learned



Policy Development ConsiderationsBuild onto a Tobacco Retail License

- Attrition is the route- taking away licenses is a political non-starter
- · Integrate with comprehensive healthy retail approach
- Engage enforcing agencies early on in policy development process

Developing Partnerships Takes Time

- Took 6 years and considerable financial investment in community partner!
- Negotiation and Compromise: Met public health goals and the goals of merchant association by building trust and learning business language

Lessons Learned contd.

Communications

- Visuals are ESSENTIAL- maps, fact sheets, policy element comparisons
- Focus on the overarching goal of reducing the number of tobacco retailers especially in areas that are disproportionately burdened

Monitoring

• Periodic monitoring are just snapshots of a fluid situation (individual cigar bar exemption)









