

Kentucky Updates – April 2021

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“Vaping, dripping, dabbing, puffing...”

The terms for e-cigarette use are as varied and ever-changing as the products themselves. But what does not change is the overall lack of understanding about these products and their short/long term effects.

Pediatricians should be able to recognize and use language that youth will understand, including appropriate terminology. We must arm ourselves with facts so that we can appropriately screen and counsel our patients. There are two great upcoming webinars this month for anyone wanting to learn more!

1. AAP Webinar: Addressing Adolescent Vaping and E-Cigarette Use

The AAP Julius B. Richmond Center of Excellence is hosting a webinar focused on addressing adolescent e-cigarette use in clinical, community, and school settings. The webinar “Assessing & Addressing Adolescent E-cigarette Use” will be held on **Friday, April 23, 2021 12-1pm CT**, with Maria Rahmandar, MD, FAAP, serving as faculty. Dr. Rahmandar is an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics (Adolescent Medicine) at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, and Medical Director of the Substance Use & Prevention Program at Ann & Robert H Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago.

[Register Here](#)

(All attendees who pre-register will have access to the recording after the live event.)

2. 2021 KY Tobacco Control Conference Webinar: E-cigarette Education in Schools

The Kentucky Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Program and the Kentucky Center for Smoke-free Policy are hosting a free 75-minute webinar on **Tuesday, April 27th from 3:30 to 4:45 pm ET**. This will focus on e-cigarette education in schools and how life science and tobacco control approaches can each motivate and empower teens to stay vape-free.

Register at tinyurl.com/KTCC2021