

# CESSATION IS PREVENTION

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### Health Behaviors and Risk Factors Among American Indians and Alaska Natives (Al/AN), 2000–2010





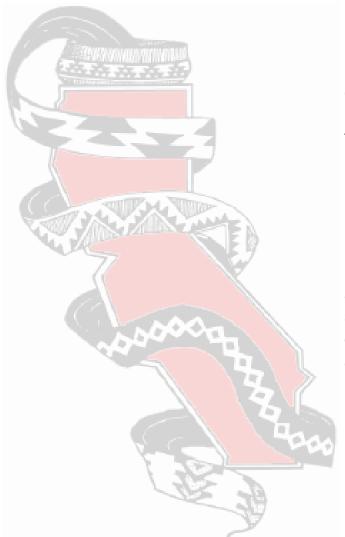








### Leading Causes of Death and All-Cause Mortality in Al/AN Populations, 1990-2009



In a study examining the regional patterns and trends in allcause mortality and leading causes of death in Al/ANs, there was no significant decrease in all-cause mortality from 1990 to 2009 for Al/AN persons as seen for Whites.

"Conclusions. AI/AN populations continue to experience much higher death rates than Whites. Patterns of mortality are strongly influenced by the high incidence of diabetes, smoking prevalence, problem drinking, and social determinants. Much of the observed excess mortality can be addressed through known public health interventions.

### LUNG CANCER IS THE MOST PREVENTABLE FORM OF CANCER DEATH IN THE WORLD

New cases of lung cancer: 224,210 Males: 116,000 Females: 108,210

Deaths from lung cancer: 159,260 Males: 86,930 Females: 72,330

Commercial tobacco use accounts for at least 30% of all cancer deaths, causing 87% of lung cancer deaths in men, and 70% of lung cancer deaths in women.

### **Lung Cancer Deaths Among Al/ANs, 1990–2009**



In a study examining the regional differences in lung cancer among Al/ANs, it was found that for every 100 lung cancers diagnosed, there were 6 more deaths among Al/AN persons than among White persons.

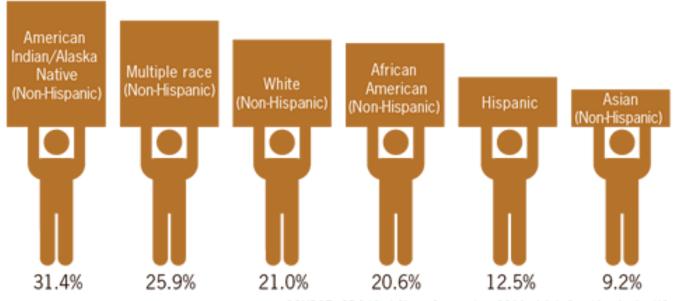
Furthermore, from 1997, a decline in lung cancer death rates was seen among Al/AN men began, and yet we are still seeing an increase among Al/AN women.

"Conclusions. Comparison of regional lung cancer death rates between AI/AN and White populations indicates disparities in tobacco control and prevention interventions. Efforts should be made to ensure that AI/AN persons receive equal benefit from current and emerging lung cancer prevention and control interventions."

### Why It Is Important to Prevent Future Cancers Through Commercial Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Programs



### Percent of Adults Who Smoke by Racial/Ethnic Group



SOURCE: CDC Vital Signs September 2011, Adult Smoking in the US

From 2005 to 2011, no significant change in current smoking prevalence occurred among Al/AN adults (32.0% in 2005 to 31.4% in 2011).

#### **CALIFORNIA TRIBAL YOUTH USE RATES**



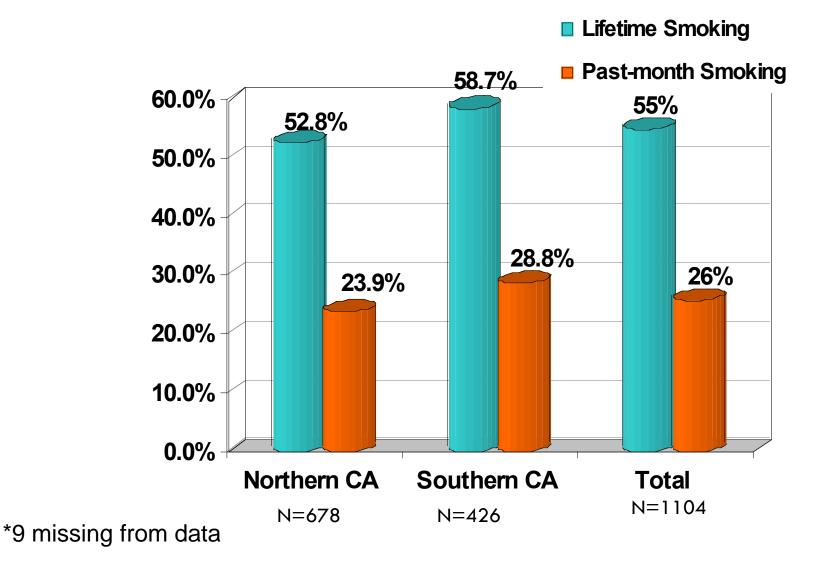
The prevalence of tobacco use among this sample is quite high (55% ever, 26% past month) which is consistent with previous research.

In the overall sample, 7% reported chewing tobacco or used snuff in the last 30 days.

Of those who reported other tobacco products used in the last 30 days, blunts and pipe use were the most common.

### **CIGARETTE USE**

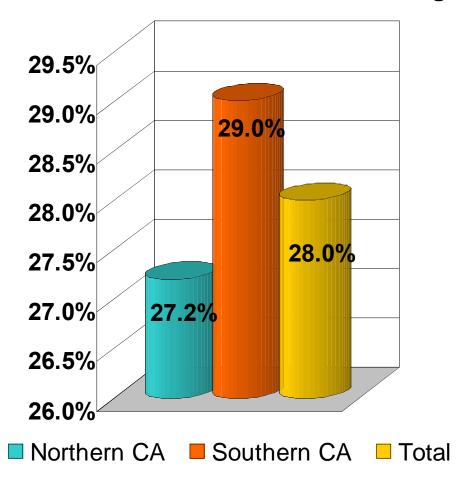




### **COMMERCIAL TOBACCO PRODUCTS**



### **Use of Tobacco Products Other Than Cigarettes**

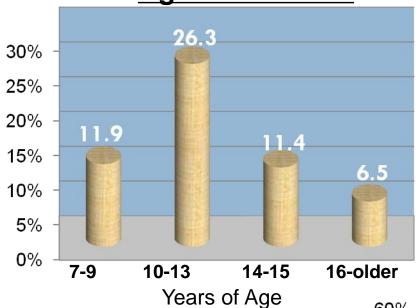


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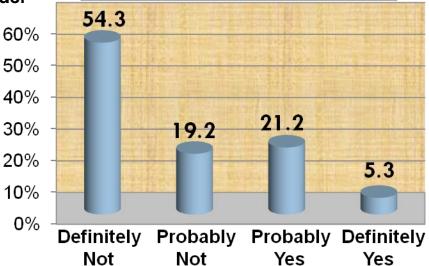
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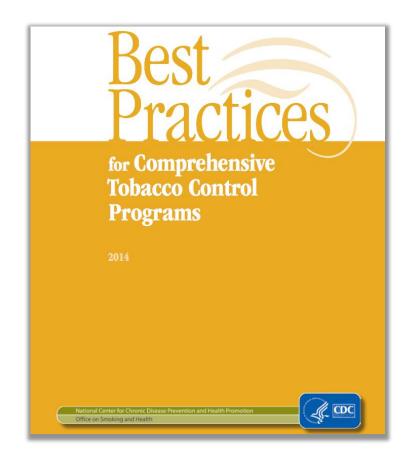


### Will Smoke in Next Year

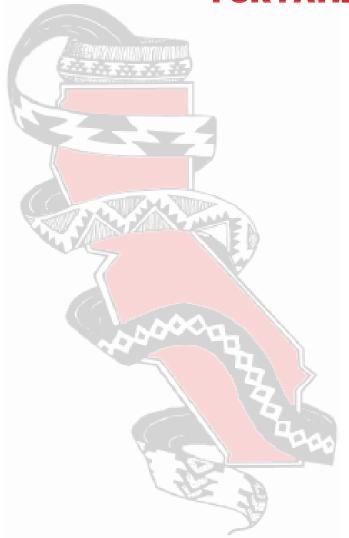


### **CURRENT BEST PRACTICES**





### THE "5 R'S" TO ENHANCE MOTIVATION FOR PATIENTS UNWILLING TO QUIT



**RELEVANCE:** Tailor advice and discussion to

each patient

**RISKS:** Discuss risks of continued smoking

**REWARDS:** Discuss benefits of quitting

**ROADBLOCKS:** Identify barriers to quitting

**REPETITION:** Reinforce the motivational

message at every visit

#### **GETTING INVOLVED IS YOUR BUSINESS**



Doctors and other clinicians can play an important role in helping people quit smoking. We know that patients who are advised by their doctors to quit smoking have a 66% higher success rate.

U.S. Surgeon General, 2011

### **CLIENT-CENTERED SUPPORT**



Provision of practical counseling (problem-solving/ skills training)



Provision of social support as part of treatment (intra-treatment social support)

Help in securing social support outside of treatment (extra-treatment social support)

#### **BEST PRACTICES VS. PRACTICE-BASED EVIDENCE**



### Dose-response relationship:

higher success rates with increasing treatment intensity

#### Optimal cessation interventions include:

- Four or more sessions
- Longest individual session >10 minutes
- Total person-to-person contact time > 30 minutes
- Culturally appropriate for any commercial tobacco user willing to participate

### **SECOND WIND TOBACCO CESSATION PROGRAM**



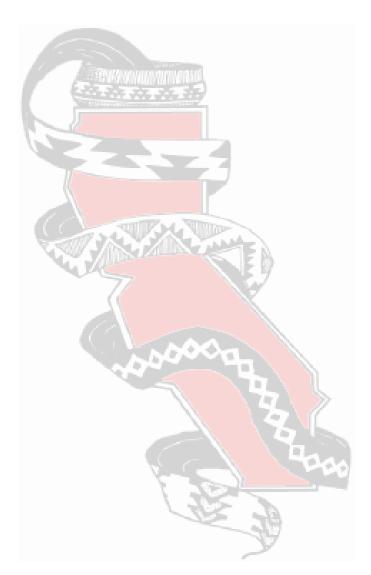
### Adapted from ACS Fresh Start Curriculum

Curriculum Developed by Ms. Cynthia Coachman, Muskogee Creek Nation

Designed specifically to help AI/AN to stop smoking and remain smoke-free.

Provides basic information about smoking, practical counseling, problem solving skills and social support

### **OVERVIEW OF FRESH START**



Behavior modification, group support & education

Physical and psychological impact of smoking

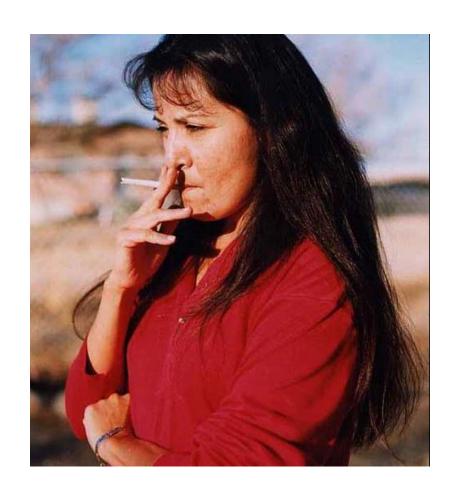
20% or more will stay quit with Fresh Start alone

Program flexibility

#### **SECOND WIND: AN OVERVIEW**



- 1. Understand the basic facts about commercial tobacco use
- 2. Understand why individuals smoke
- 3. Master the first few days smokefree
- 4. Conquering challenges
- 5. Gaining support through the process
- 6. Long term benefits of smoking cessation



### Al/AN Specific Resources Can Be Found at the Tips From Former Smokers Campaign

Meet Nathan, Oglala Sioux

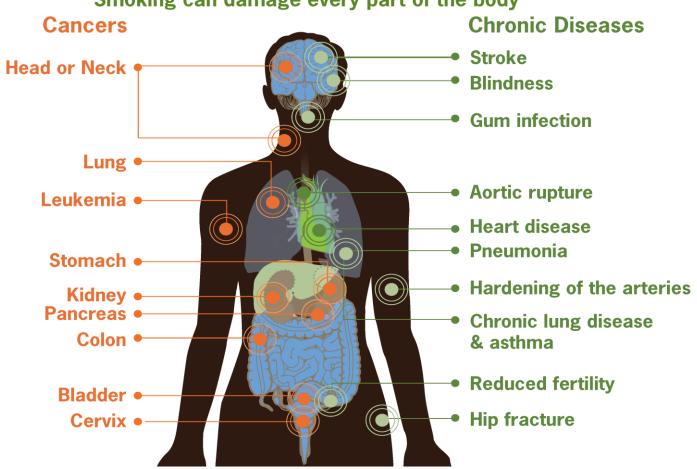
"Some people tell me they smoke, and I ask them if they have grandchildren. 'If you smoke, you may be taking that smoke home to the grandchildren and their small lungs,' I tell them. I never smoked; look what happened to me. I want to make people aware of the damage that exposure to secondhand smoke can do to you."

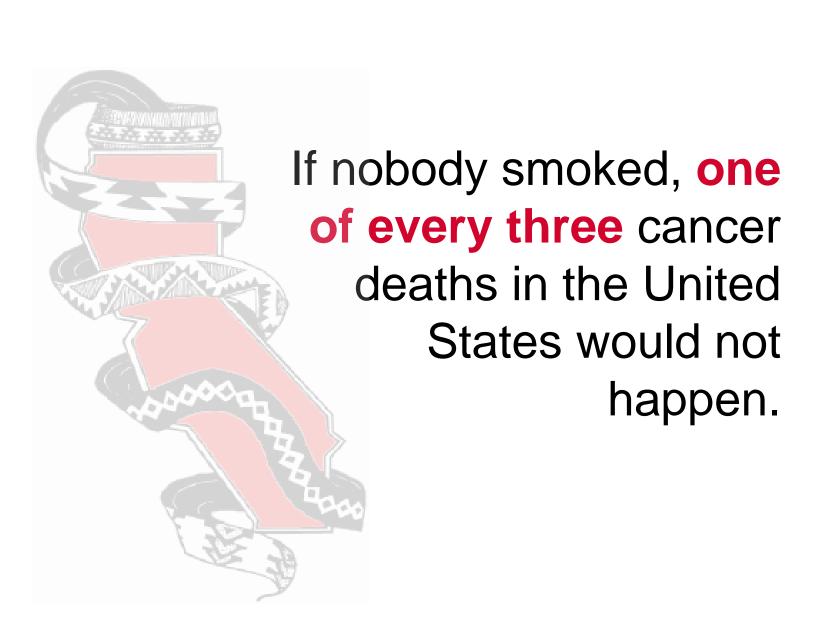
The secondhand smoke Nathan was exposed to permanently damaged his lungs and led to his early death. He died on October 17, 2013. He was 54.



### Risks from Smoking

**Smoking can damage every part of the body** 





## THANK YOU



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