

Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX

From: Janicker, Maria HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, May 24, 2012 4:59 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX; Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX; Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX
Cc: Hooton, Raylene HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: work plan

Do we need to expand it to reflect our interest in more than smokers?

Reduce tobacco use among British Columbians through helping smokers to quit, discouraging tobacco use, protecting the public from the harms of second-hand smoke and through support for tobacco-free settings.

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
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To: Janicker, Maria HLTH:EX; Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX; Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX
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Anyone have a suggested unit goal?? I am too think to think of anything newish

From: Janicker, Maria HLTH:EX
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To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX; Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX; Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX
Cc: Hooton, Raylene HLTH:EX
Subject: work plan

Hello Again!

Attached are documents to help us complete our work plan for the coming year.
Please complete and send to Maria by Thursday May 31. I will collate and send to Shelley.

- Template – it's a template and will force you to save your copy. Indicate your name in the file name please.
- Accomplishments – what was on the flip chart, highlights of the last 3 years.
- Partnerships – a list of partners and to what end we might want to advance the relationship
- Calendar

Also, for some reason, we didn't review the unit goal:

Reduce tobacco use among British Columbians through prevention, cessation and protection programs and policies.
I can see it needs some tweaking! Send along updates please.

<< File: template workplan.dotx >>

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<< File: Calendar planner.docx >>

Thank you!

Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2012 4:44 PM
To: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: medicinal marijuana and smoke-free laws in MUDs

Accepted thanks Ken

From: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2012 4:43 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: medicinal marijuana and smoke-free laws in MUDs

Hi Karen – just sent you a meeting invitation for 11:00 . . .

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From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2012 4:38 PM
To: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: medicinal marijuana and smoke-free laws in MUDs

Hi

Do you have time tmrw between 10:30-11:30am – may not take that long but would work well for me. Rest of the day has meetings except lunchtime S22

Let me know.

Thanks

From: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2012 10:11 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: medicinal marijuana and smoke-free laws in MUDs

Hi Karen -- I think I have some of the answer . . . do you want to meet for 15 minutes at some point in the next day or so to try to coordinate a response?

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Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2012 10:09 AM
To: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX; Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: medicinal marijuana and smoke-free laws in MUDs

Hi Ken & Karen:

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Thanks.

Gene

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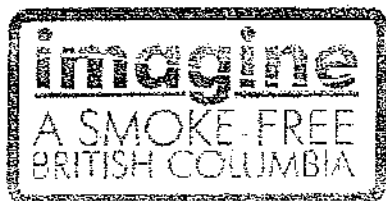
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From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, May 24, 2012 2:14 PM
To: 'Gene Chin'; Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: medicinal marijuana and smoke-free laws in MUDs

Thanks Gene

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Thanks both. I did concurrently send an email to HC's medical marijuana folks, but haven't heard back from them yet. If they say anything different than what you've stated below, I'll let you know.

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Sent: May 24, 2012 2:09 PM
To: 'Gene Chin'
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Hi Gene

Karen and I have discussed and I'm responding on our behalf. My understanding of Canada's Marihuana Medical Access Regulations is that Canadians who are authorized by Health Canada to use cannabis for medical purposes have a constitutional right to do smoke marijuana (which reflects the jurisprudential history of the establishment of the MMAR regulations). This authorization requires medical cannabis users to comply with all respective local government and provincial smoking by-laws or legislation, but that strata council rules do not have the same force and effect as these other kinds of statutes. Thus, it would be up to the individual and the strata council to come to some sort of mutually satisfactory agreement about what an individual can or cannot do in their own home.

We suggest that you get in touch with Health Canada's Marihuana Medical Access Division to get more clarity from the federal government's perspective, as anything to do with cannabis law is really a matter of federal jurisdiction:
<http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/contact/dhp-mps/hecs-dgsesc/mma-amm-eng.php>

hope this is helpful!

regards

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Yes, and I'll cc you . . . thanks!

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Hi

I think this captures the essence of it very well. Are you going to forward this to him?

Thanks

From: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, May 24, 2012 12:12 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: medicinal marijuana and smoke-free laws in MUDs

Hi Karen – what do you think about this response?

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Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2012 12:45 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX; Woodland, Laurie HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Scrum: De Jong: Consultation key to any new smoking regs

FYI only

From: Neufeld, Laura R GCPE:EX
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2012 12:44 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Scrum: De Jong: Consultation key to any new smoking regs

Here you go!

From: tno@gov.bc.ca [<mailto:tno@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: Monday, May 28, 2012 5:54 PM
Subject: Scrum: De Jong: Consultation key to any new smoking regs

Scrum
De Jong scrum following QP
28-May-2012 13:45

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From: Gene Chin [gene.chin@shaw.ca]
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2012 8:53 AM
To: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX; Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: medicinal marijuana use and smoke-free policies in multi-unit dwellings (MUDs)
Attachments: ATT00007.jpg

FYI

From: MMAP-PAMM [mailto:MMAP-PAMM@hc-sc.gc.ca]
Sent: May 31, 2012 6:41 AM
To: Gene Chin
Subject: Re: medicinal marijuana use and smoke-free policies in multi-unit dwellings (MUDs)

Dear Mr. Chin,

Thank you for your email of May 23, 2012, regarding whether individuals who are authorized to possess marihuana for medical purposes allowed to smoke marihuana in homes that have smoke free policies.

With regards to the consumption of marihuana for medical purposes in a smoke-free home, individuals who are authorized to possess and/or licenced to produce marihuana for medical purposes under the *Marihuana Medical Access Regulations* (MMAR) are reminded to abide by all other applicable federal, provincial, territorial or municipal legislation, therefore, municipal legislation pertaining to smoking in homes, may also apply to smoking marihuana for medical purposes. You may wish to review the relevant municipal legislation in your region or contact your municipal government and/or your provincial Residential Tenancy board for further information on use of marihuana for medical purposes in smoke-free homes.

Health Canada advises people who hold an authorization to possess to limit consumption to a private location to respect those around them who may be adversely affected by the consumption of second-hand smoke.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact the Marihuana Medical Access Program (MMAP) at mmap-pamm@hc-sc.gc.ca or toll-free at 1-866-337-7705.

Regards,

Client Services
Bureau of Medical Cannabis
Health Canada

medicinal marijuana use and smoke-free policies in multi-unit dwellings (MUDs)

Gene Chin to: MMAP-PAMM

2012-05-23 01:53 PM

From: "Gene Chin" <gene.chin@shaw.ca>
To: <MMAP-PAMM@hc-sc.gc.ca>

Hello:

The Smoke-free Housing BC initiative is centred around providing information through our website www.smokefreehousingbc.ca on smoke-free MUDs issues in BC.

The work that we do is primarily around tobacco use and second-hand tobacco smoke, although we do get the occasional query about marijuana. It is the use of medicinal marijuana versus the ability of a MUD (whether it be a rental housing complex, strata/condo complex, or coop complex) to implement a 100% smoke-free policy.

Does a medical marijuana user have the right to smoke cannabis in his/her own home, even if that home is in a MUD that has a 100% smoke-free policy? Does it matter if the medical marijuana user is aware of a MUD's 100% smoke-free policy before moving in?

Thanks in advance for your attention to this inquiry.

Sincerely,
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From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, June 1, 2012 4:08 PM
To: 'Alana Kronstal'; 'Andrew Douglas'; 'Andrew Loughhead'; 'Bernie Squires'; 'Daina Mueller'; 'Joanne Corneau'; 'Lise Tremblay'; 'Marie Rochette'; XT:HLTH McKay, Marlien; 'Nancy Malcom Sharrat'; 'Olsen, Barb'; 'Raquel Digness-Froese'; 'Robert Strang'; 'Sandra Duncan'; 'Steve Machat'; XT:HLTH Wideman, Miriam; XT:HLTH Korgak, Ainiak
Subject: any of you have resources for the public on....

- Smoke free cars
- Smoke-free homes
- How to ensure youth don't start to smoke

I'm wanting P/T docs only – either ones that you produced or ones that you use. Many thanks

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From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, June 4, 2012 9:38 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: any of you have resources for the public on....
Attachments: BSFBrochure (Eastern) outside FA.pdf; BSF Brochure Inside (all).pdf

Some ideas for our work, both with HLBC and HPSE re punching up our second hand smoke info – make it visually encouraging, engage the important info – I've asked other PTs for their resource so we can see what we like.

From: Squires, Bernie M. [<mailto:bsquires@gov.nl.ca>]
Sent: Monday, June 4, 2012 4:58 AM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: any of you have resources for the public on....

Hi Shelley,

Sending along a copy (see attached) of the Making Your Home and Car Smoke Free brochure that the Department produced in partnership with the Regional Health Authorities. The brochure is distributed to new parents as part of the Born Smoke-free program.
Bernie

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX [<mailto:Shelley.Canitz@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: Friday, June 01, 2012 8:38 PM
To: 'Alana Kronstal'; 'Andrew Douglas'; 'Andrew Loughhead'; Squires, Bernie M.; 'Daina Mueller'; 'Joanne Corneau'; 'Lise Tremblay'; 'Marie Rochette'; XT:HLTH McKay, Marlien; 'Nancy Malcom Sharrat'; 'Olsen, Barb'; 'Raquel Digness-Froese'; 'Robert Strang'; 'Sandra Duncan'; 'Steve Machat'; XT:HLTH Wideman, Miriam; XT:HLTH Korgak, Ainiak
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From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 4:57 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

I was mistaken – it wasn't the newsletter but this note that references the place in West Van

These three locations will join Libby Lodge, an assisted living site in West Vancouver which will become part of BC Housing's directly managed portfolio in 2010/11, to be smoke-free buildings

Can you ask her about Libby Lodge?

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 3:36 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Here is Bob's email from 2010 – it looks like 4 in total – and they were considering expanding the number. Has that expansion happened.

Shelley Canitz

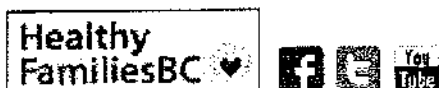
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Join the Healthy Families BC community...



From: Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2010 9:55 AM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLS:EX
Subject: FW: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

FYI

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From: Crane, Bob HSD:EX
Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2010 11:09 AM
To: Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Cc: May, Cheryl HSD:EX
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Hi, Simon. Attached is the info I received from BC Housing.



Smoke-free
sites.doc

Bob Crane

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From: Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2010 1:25 PM
To: Crane, Bob HSD:EX
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Thanks for following up. Keep me posted.

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From: Crane, Bob HSD:EX
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2010 8:56 AM
To: Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Hi, Simon. I've asked BC Housing for an update and will pass it on when I get it.

Bob Crane

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From: Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Sent: Monday, June 21, 2010 10:25 AM
To: Crane, Bob HSD:EX
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Bob

Have you had an update on the following statement?

Thanks for your help.

BC Housing is currently collecting information from applicants for social housing units in order to determine the demand for smoke-free buildings.

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From: Crane, Bob HSD:EX
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 3:21 PM
To: Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

I haven't heard anything from them. Today's my last day, so I'll follow up in the new year.

Bob Crane

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From: Barton, Simon HLS:EX

Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 3:18 PM
To: Crane, Bob HSD:EX
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Thanks Bob.

Do you have any sense of the outcome from the data collected as referenced in the following statement.

BC Housing is currently collecting information from applicants for social housing units in order to determine the demand for smoke-free buildings.

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From: Crane, Bob HSD:EX
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To: Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Simon, the letter is from 2008. I'm not sure why it popped up now. Here are the incoming and final reply. Have a great Christmas!

<< File: 132987 Simmons final as sent.doc >> << File: 132987 Simmons incoming.pdf >>

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To: Dyland, Judith HSD:EX; Crane, Bob HSD:EX; 'Margaret McNeil'
Cc: XT:Bel, John CASE:IN
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Bob,

Can you please send me the final letter as I have no record of the original request?

Thanks and Happy Holidayas.

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Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 2:44 PM
To: Crane, Bob HSD:EX; 'Margaret McNeil'; Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Cc: XT:Bell, John CAsE:IN
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

From an RTB perspective, the response is fine.
Judith

From: Crane, Bob HSD:EX
Sent: Friday, November 7, 2008 12:40 PM
To: 'Margaret McNeil'; Dyrland, Judith HSD:EX; Barton, Simon HLS:EX
Cc: XT:Bell, John CAsE:IN
Subject: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Attached is a draft letter for our Executive Director's signature in reply to a letter on second-hand smoke in multi-unit dwellings. Could you please take a look at it and send me any suggested changes or comments. Thank you.

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Smoke-free Sites

- BC Housing collects information from applicants for social housing units in order to determine the demand for smoke-free buildings.
- The Housing Registry Application Form asks applicants if they or household members smoke.
- As of June 24, 2010, 82.2% of applicants on the Housing Registry responded "No" to the question, "Do you or anyone in your household smoke in your home?"
- In late 2009, a survey was conducted in six buildings in the Vancouver Coastal Region to determine tenant support for smoke-free housing. Results indicated high support at the Comox Street townhouses and Maclean Park Extension tower sites in Vancouver.
- On May 1, 2010, three sites went smoke-free:
 - Comox Street townhouses in Vancouver
 - Maclean Park Extension tower in Vancouver
 - Mountain View Manor in Keremeos
- Current tenants who smoke at these locations will be allowed to continue to do so in their homes and on their balconies.
- New tenants moving in after May 1, 2010 will not.
- New tenants will sign addendums to their residential tenancy agreements acknowledging that they are moving into a unit in which smoking is not permitted.
- Open houses were held at both the Comox Street townhouses and Maclean Park Extension locations to inform tenants about the change.
- The policy change is in response to requests from tenants, applicants and medical health officers for smoke-free buildings.
- As tenants turn over, the buildings will eventually become completely smoke free.
- BC Housing will evaluate the steps taken at these sites and intends to expand the program to sites across the province in the coming years.
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From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2012 2:22 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
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FYI Shelley

From: Cathy Shen [<mailto:cshen@bchousing.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2012 2:14 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Hi Karen,

Sorry for the delay in response.

Libby Lodge is a smoke-free site.. but of course like all of the smoke-free sites, there are still existing, grandfathered smokers in the building. All new tenants housed are non-smokers.

Cathy

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX [<mailto:Karen.Parasram@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: June-13-12 4:58 PM
To: Cathy Shen
Subject: FW: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

Hi Cathy

What about Libby Lodge? It was mentioned in your newsletter.

Thanks

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 4:57 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Smoking in multi-unit dwellings

I was mistaken -- it wasn't the newsletter but this note that references the place in West Van

These three locations will join Libby Lodge, an assisted living site in West Vancouver which will become part of BC Housing's directly managed portfolio in 2010/11, to be smoke-free buildings

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Thanks Brian. You are right . . . not a straightforward issue for sure.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 4:48 PM
To: Woodland, Laurie HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Smoke Free Housing BC

I was showing you what was on the smokefreehousing site

I am looking for the real estate info - I'm finding news articles that say that you lose \$\$ when there is the smell of smoking in the house - but so far, not a great 'study'
<http://www.homesgofast.com/Smoking-lowers-house-prices.php>
<http://www.lovemoney.com/news/property-and-mortgages/house-prices/12791/how-smoking-damages-the-value-of-your-home>

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this information is on the smokefreehousing site

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Subject: Second-hand smoke In residential areas

Dear Council members and MLAs:

Second-Hand Smoke

S22

Our concern is not with the nuisance stink, as bad as that is, but with the very real health threat to our S22
S22 . Dr. Blatherwick, former Chief Medical Health Officer of Vancouver Coastal Health, has noted rightly that "the science is overwhelming that there is no safe level of exposure to second-hand smoke". Second-hand smoke is on the very same EPA list of cancer-causing toxins as arsenic, asbestos, benzene, and other dangerous toxins (<http://www.nsra-adnf.ca/cms/page1433.cfm>). Second-hand smoke killed 800,000 of the 6 million total people killed by smoking last year (http://www.ashaust.org.au/lv3/Lv3resources_global_epidemic.htm). The science is overwhelmingly clear and there is no argument that breathing second-hand smoke can be deadly to human life.

We are aware of the BC Human Rights Tribunal cases for people living in apartment buildings and suffering health issues from second-hand smoke. We believe this is not enough to protect people only in work places and multiple-occupancy units. People can leave workplaces after a shift four or five times a week, but we cannot leave our homes where we spend most of the rest of our time. This makes legislation to protect people in their homes far more important than in workplaces only, or public parks.

And it is simply not acceptable to wait till some negative health response emerges (e.g. the asthma problem of the people in an apartment building). It is wrong to subject people to these experiments with a dangerous toxin, against their choice. Especially children and special needs people. It is wrong to wait until some health damage appears before taking protective action. We would not do this with arsenic or asbestos on that same list, claiming that we need to wait for some actual concern to become visible before we halt exposure to such toxins. The evidence is overwhelming of the damage second-hand smoke causes.

Any university ethics committee would not even countenance an experiment that threatened the health of subjects. They would not even pass an experiment that caused emotional trauma. Yet all over this province some 500,000 people are regularly subjected to second-hand smoke against their freedom to choose otherwise. This is entirely unacceptable and must be changed. Orange County in the US has now taken proper action and banned smoking on residential balconies and patios (<http://www.ocregister.com/articles/smoking-288662-patios-city.html>). This type of ban must be extended clearly to residential areas everywhere. It is not just about nuisance bylaws but about an overwhelmingly proven dangerous threat to human health.

We are not interfering with the freedom and rights of smokers to smoke. But an unquestioned principle that already exists in our societies concerns the economic principle of 'negative externalities'. No company or person is permitted to expel dangerous toxins into the air, water, or soil. And so it must be with second-hand smoke, a proven dangerous toxin in the same category as arsenic and asbestos. Smokers should not be allowed to expel this toxin into other's air or homes against their choice. We are all responsible for our own negative externalities. And we cannot violate the right of others to choose to be free from exposure to dangerous toxins. While people have the right to do all sorts of things in their own yards, our freedom does not include the freedom or right to endanger the health of others or to violate their rights and freedom to not inhale toxins. It is the same thing with any toxin on that same EPA list- asbestos, arsenic- we do not have the right to blow these into neighboring yards and homes and subject them to an experiment with their health against their choice. It astounds me that governing agencies do not get this simple and clear principle and take action to protect citizens from a proven dangerous toxin in the same category with arsenic and asbestos.

Someone has expressed this fundamental limit on personal freedoms in the statement that "your freedom to swing your arms ends where my nose begins". These are fundamental human rights issues.

And while "quiet enjoyment" is extended to smokers in their backyards it is not extended to neighbors that have to put up with their smoke (in their yards and inside their homes) against their choice. And remember, the smoker smokes outside to keep his home free of the stink but then stinks up the homes of neighbors.

We have politely asked our neighbors to smoke elsewhere to resolve this problem. They did for a short while then resumed regular smoking S22 . To protect the health of our family we are planning on pursuing all avenues possible to protect our family such as applying to the BC Human Rights Tribunal, contacting a lawyer, offering proposed ban legislation at the municipal level, and so on (e.g. drawing media attention). But most important is for the province to enact legislation to protect the hundreds of thousands of people who suffer from exposure to this proven dangerous toxin that is in the same category as arsenic and asbestos.

And I have not even touched on the emotional stress of our family's exposure and living under the constant stress of not knowing when the next exposure will begin and how to take protective action. My own mother experienced years of stress in her apartment building going through the same problem with a smoker on a balcony below her. That gave us some insight into the impact this has on others. It is unbearable to live with this on a daily basis, with no choice over being exposed. People feel threatened but helpless to protect themselves and their families. I had no idea of the impact on people of the loss of a most basic freedom and right to protect the health of one's family. The smoker carelessly makes the choice to subject you and your children to danger and you have no choice in response, and this in your own home.

Let's be very clear this is not an issue of violating smoker's rights. To the contrary, this is about smokers violating non-smoker's rights to a safe and healthy life. Smokers violate such rights by not taking proper care when expelling their toxins into other's property and lungs. Let's be very clear on the direction of violated rights in these situations. This is not about picking on smokers or interfering with their rights to smoke in their own yards. It is about the right of all people to be free from harm and it is about the unwanted violation of that basic human right by others not taking responsibility for their harmful actions and intruding into others freedom and property in a proven harmful manner. Non-smokers are not whiners and complainers in this issue, sticking their noses into other's private activity. They are simply seeking basic protection in their own homes after suffering a violation by the carelessness of others. This is about taking protective action against an unwanted invasion of one's own property, health, and rights and basic freedom of choice. I cannot make this clear enough as smokers argue their rights are being violated. We are all responsible for our own negative externalities that we expel into other's property, homes and lives. Especially when these are proven dangerous toxins.

We will join any campaigns underway or needed to get going to press this critical matter of public health. But it is primarily up to the provincial government to act on this. The time is past for protective action on behalf of the citizens of this province. The science is overwhelming on the damage to human health from this dangerous toxin. My question is- what is the point of these varied government departments if they are not protecting their citizens from one of the most dangerous and widely experienced threats to their health.

Previous to our personal experience we were not fully aware of the damaging consequences of second-hand smoke, nor the fact that so many people are subjected to this harmful toxin and feel helpless to protect themselves and their families.

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Cc: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX; Nisbet, Corinna HLTH:EX; West, Ashley HLTH:EX; Codner, Tamara A HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: MLA (Minister) Margaret MacDiarmid re S22 Upgrade and Enforce Tobacco Act at Residential Dwellings - due Thursday, July 26th (Cliff 938080/MLA Log #42)
Attachments: S22 Letter received 2012-07-09.pdf; Bullet template.dotx

Bringing folder to you for response. As I am not here tomorrow or next week, please be sure to communicate with Corinna for follow up. Also, please be sure to indicate whether financial or data review is necessary and notify the ADMO's if it is.

Many thank yous. ☺

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Thanks!

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From: Manning, John HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 4:04 PM
To: Docs Processing HLTH:EX
Subject: MLA MacDiarmid / Constituent's Request - Upgrade and Enfore Tobacco Act at Residential Dwellings

Pls provide mia bullets.

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From: Lee, Chantal [<mailto:CLee@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 01:00 PM
To: Manning, John HLTH:EX
Subject: Constituent's Request - Upgrade and Enfore Tobacco Act at Residential Dwellings

Good afternoon, John.

Attached is a letter received from our constituent, S22 He requested the government to upgrade and enforce Tobacco Act at residential dwellings.

Forwarding to you for your office's information. If you could provide some bullets to help with our response, that would be greatly appreciated.

Hope you are enjoying the summer,

Chantal Lee
Constituency Assistant to
Hon. Dr. Margaret MacDiarmid, M.L.A.
Vancouver-Fairview
604-660-7061

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Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2012 6:27 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Tobacco Briefing with Minister July 17th 2012
Attachments: image001.png; image002.png; image003.png; image004.png; Overview note June.docx

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From: Woodland, Laurie HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 3:38 PM
To: Paton, Arlene HLTH:EX
Cc: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX; Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX; Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
Subject: Tobacco Briefing with Minister July 17th 2012

Hi Arlene – as promised, I have summarized the meeting with the Minister below, if you remember it differently – please let me know!

The Minister had the original 3 briefing notes for reference.

Not Responsive

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From: Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 4:16 PM
To: Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Tobacco Briefing with Minister July 17th 2012

OK, and I'll get a CLIFF log for the one Shelley is working on..

From: Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 3:56 PM
To: Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
Cc: Gamble, Christine HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Tobacco Briefing with Minister July 17th 2012

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Thanks for the great summary, Laurie!

Regards,

Arlene Paton
Assistant Deputy Minister
Population and Public Health
Ministry of Health
Tel: 250-952-1731

From: Woodland, Laurie HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 3:38 PM
To: Paton, Arlene HLTH:EX
Cc: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX; Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX; Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
Subject: Tobacco Briefing with Minister July 17th 2012

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Not Responsive

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Hope that covers it,

Thanks

Laurie Woodland

Executive Director

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Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, July 20, 2012 9:15 AM
To: Colantonio, Stefan HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: jurisdictions that ban smoking in apartments or condos

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Hi S

A new project for you to do – please be thorough in your research. Aim to have it done for Jul 26 and then we can review it – tweak it if nec and have it ready for next week.

Thanks

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2012 5:54 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: jurisdictions that ban smoking in apartments or condos

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<http://www.smgov.net/departments/cpu/Content.aspx?id=33061>
<http://www.co.marin.ca.us/efiles/BS/AgMn/agdocs/120515/120515-10-HH-ltr-LTR.pdf>
[http://www.center4tobaccopolicy.org/CTPO/files/file/Center%20Community%20Organizing%20Update%20November%202011\(1\).pdf](http://www.center4tobaccopolicy.org/CTPO/files/file/Center%20Community%20Organizing%20Update%20November%202011(1).pdf) (not quite on point)
there is also one in Belmont, California

Thanks

Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX

From: Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2012 10:48 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX; Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Cc: Newbury, Trudi HLTH:EX; Chandler, River HLTH:EX; Gamble, Christine HLTH:EX; Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: PO / MO Request re S22 Smoking Medical Marijuana in BC Campgrounds - Bylaw Infraction? - due Thursday, August 2 (Cliff 938581/DMA Log #36)

Thanks Karen. I'm compiling the information to send back to Docs.

Kenneth, do you have a contact at the federal level that we can provide them with?

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2012 9:26 AM
To: Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX; Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Cc: Newbury, Trudi HLTH:EX; Chandler, River HLTH:EX; Gamble, Christine HLTH:EX; Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: PO / MO Request re S22 Smoking Medical Marijuana in BC Campgrounds - Bylaw Infraction? - due Thursday, August 2 (Cliff 938581/DMA Log #36)

Hi

Medical marijuana use is a federal issue. Interestingly the *Tobacco Control Act* and Tobacco Control Regulation specifically references tobacco. All other types of smoke do not fall within the ambit of the legislation. The municipality bylaws may impact this issue but from a provincial tobacco perspective we do not have any jurisdiction over the marijuana issue.

Municipalities can have greater restrictions. The information does not say what area they were camping in or if it fell within the municipal bylaws. An example of a municipal bylaw is Vancouver which has the following restrictions:

Smoking prohibited in a park; on a seawall or beach in a park; in a building in a park (except in a caretaker's residence); in a customer service area (partially enclosed or unenclosed area including a balcony, patio, yard or sidewalk that includes the service of food or alcoholic drinks) in a park; in a vehicle for hire in a park; on public transit in a park; or in an enclosed or partially enclosed shelter in a park where people wait to board a vehicle for hire or public transit. The definition of smoking includes hookah pipes and other weeds or substances.

I hope this helps.

Thanks

From: Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2012 4:27 PM
To: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX
Cc: Newbury, Trudi HLTH:EX; Chandler, River HLTH:EX; Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX; Gamble, Christine HLTH:EX; Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: PO / MO Request re S22 Smoking Medical Marijuana in BC Campgrounds - Bylaw Infraction? - due Thursday, August 2 (Cliff 938581/DMA Log #36)

Thanks Kenneth,

I'm going to wait for Karen to weigh in... if she agrees that this should go to the feds, then can you please provide a contact at the federal level, and we'll tell Docs Processing that it isn't our issue.

Thanks,

Ilana

From: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX

Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2012 4:11 PM

To: Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX

Cc: Newbury, Trudi HLTH:EX; Chandler, River HLTH:EX; Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX

Subject: RE: PO / MO Request re S22 Smoking Medical Marijuana in BC Campgrounds - Bylaw Infraction? - due Thursday, August 2 (Cliff 938581/DMA Log #36)

Hi Ilana

As I understand from the information below, the person whom the writer is complaining about is federally authorized to smoke cannabis for medical purposes. According to Health Canada's Marihuana Medical Access Regulations, authorized medical cannabis users are required to comply with local smoking by-laws, but are otherwise within their constitutional rights to smoke cannabis (i.e. no laws are being broken). My understanding of BC smoking by-laws is that BC Parks are not covered (except for smoking prohibition due to extreme fire hazard), so there is no legal basis for the objection.

This is really a complaint that should be directed to the federal government, which oversees rules and regulations for medical cannabis use.

I've cc'd Karen Parasram in Tobacco Control, just to confirm my reading of the BC smoking bylaws: <http://www.health.gov.bc.ca/tobacco/communities.html>

- Smoking is not permitted in any fully or substantially enclosed public place or workplace.
- Smoking is not permitted within 3 metres of most public or workplace doorways, open windows, or air intakes (i.e. a "buffer zone").
- Substantially enclosed transit shelters are smoke-free.
- Common areas of apartment buildings, condominiums and dormitories are smoke-free.
- Tobacco use of any kind, including smoking, is banned on all public and private K-12 school grounds.
- In motor vehicles when youth under 16 years of age are present.

Let me know how best to proceed with this . . .

regards

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-----Original Message-----

From: Newbury, Trudi HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2012 11:17 AM
To: Tupper, Kenneth HLTH:EX; Chandler, River HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: PO / MO Request re S22 - Smoking Medical Marijuana in BC Campgrounds - Bylaw Infraction? - due Thursday, August 2 (Cliff 938581/DMA Log #36)
Importance: High

For response for Minister

-----Original Message-----

From: Kronick, Ilana Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2012 11:14 AM To: Newbury, Trudi

Hi there, Please note the assignment below, and have staff draft up information around smoking medical marijuana in BC campgrounds and whether it is a bylaw infraction. I have attached the bullet template for your convenience.
Due to ADMO by Thursday Aug 2.
Thanks, Ilana

-----Original Message-----

From: Docs Processing Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2012 11:02 AM

Please confirm we have assigned correctly. The MO has requested information and clarity around smoking medical marijuana in BC campgrounds; is it a bylaw infraction?

We would appreciate receiving the approved info by Tuesday, August 7th.

The assignment folder will be ready for pickup shortly.

Thanks,

Kathy Simonson

Program Coordinator / Documents Processing Unit / Ministry of Health
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-----Original Message-----

From: Manning, John HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2012 10:08 AM
To: Health, HLTH HLTH:EX
Cc: Docs Processing HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: My children got high
Importance: High

Hi, can we provide info pls?

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-----Original Message-----

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 9:18 AM
To: Manning, John HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: My children got high

I don't normally write for health, however, because it is a drug issue it falls under JAG which I do cover. I'm just curious as to whether or not this would be a bylaw infraction or a

breach of the federal regulations surrounding medical marijuana use? Any clarity on this would be greatly appreciated. Thanks John

-----Original Message-----

From: Manning, John HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 7:48 PM
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Subject: RE: My children got high

Hi Ty,

This looks like a tricky one. My guess is that the answer would be on the health side, whether it be Provincial or even Federal. I would suspect that there are regulations regarding where one can use medical marijuana, although I am not sure.

Do you want me to ask ministry staff for further information or do you normally go directly to Health staff?

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-----Original Message-----

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Sent: Tue, July 17, 2012 12:30 PM
To: Manning, John HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: My children got high

Hey John, I was hoping that you could provide some insight as to whether smoking by-laws fall under municipal or provincial jurisdiction in a case like this? I think it's municipal in this circumstance but I'm not sure if it applies in regards to BC parks?... Thanks for the help

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-----Original Message-----

From: S22
Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2012 1:22 AM
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Subject: My children got high

Dear Christie Clarke,

Please make this top priority.

While camping at S22 last week the site accross from us was smoking medical marijuana . The smoke was in our campsite for two days. We told park rangers and they came back and told us the husband had a permit.

Our children where confused as to why they could smoke it when it's supposed to be illegal . They also asked why it's ok for the mother to smoke it with her baby in her arms and child approx 5 years old sitting beside her. We were shocked that you can medicate in a campground that is a playground for hundreds of families each year.

Please ban the use of medical marijuana use in BC parks ASAP .

I am a big fan of the USA and will start taking our summer camping holidays there if nothing is done to ban the use of medical marijuana in BC campgrounds.

We did contact the rcmp drug unit in comox . S22 was the name of the officer and he didn't know if it was legal or not. I gave him my number and he said he would get back to us. I never did hear back from him.

Please let me know if anything will be done. Our future is our children and with what we experienced last week I can see how quickly this will develop into a problem for others. It also gives a bad impression to visitors from other provinces and countries.

Thank you for your time

S22

Sent from my iPhone

Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX

From: Pattison, Enza B HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, August 1, 2012 1:13 PM
To: Colantonio, Stefan HLTH:EX
Cc: Krabbenhoft, Lindsey HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Jurisdictional Scan

Hello Stefan

My colleague, Lindsey Krabbenhoft did a quick search and found the link below to an Australian site that may be of interest to you.

FYI

Enza

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From: Krabbenhoft, Lindsey HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, August 1, 2012 1:06 PM
To: Pattison, Enza B HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Jurisdictional Scan

Hi Enza,

I found a website that you might find handy for this search. Here is the link to the page for Australia, but you can search many other countries as well. The website also has a variety of ways to search for legislation that looked useful.

<http://www.tobaccocontrolaws.org/legislation/country/australia>

-Lindsey

From: Pattison, Enza B HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, August 1, 2012 12:19 PM
To: Colantonio, Stefan HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Jurisdictional Scan

Hi Stefan

This might be a tricky question as it deals with legislation however, we could check the general journal literature which might direct us to specific laws. I'll think about this and get back to you. Are you excluding Canadian jurisdictions in this search?

Could you tell me what your time frame is?

Enza

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From: Colantonio, Stefan HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, August 1, 2012 10:20 AM
To: Library - Health and Human Svcs, HLTH HLTH:EX
Subject: Jurisdictional Scan

Hello,

I am working on an jurisdictional scan of smoke-free housing policies. Specifically, I am looking at bylaws/ordinances that:

- Prohibit smoking in private "Multi Unit Dwellings" (apartments and condos)
- Require disclosure about location and of smoking units
- Recognize second hand smoking as a nuisance

I have found jurisdictions in the United States, specifically California, that have smoke-free housing ordinances. My question is, what is the best way to find smoke-free laws, bylaws, and ordinances in other jurisdictions such as England, Australia, and New Zealand? Can you point me in the right direction about the most efficient ways to look up this information?

Thanks,

Stefan Colantonio

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Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Hooton, Raylene HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2012 2:29 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: can we have more time on 937816
Attachments: 937816 - S22 2nd hand smoke exposure & amdt TCA to include residential prop).docx

Like so?

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2012 2:02 PM
To: Hooton, Raylene HLTH:EX; Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
Subject: can we have more time on 937816

Raylene – this folder is in my office and needs one small change – can you make that change?

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I will let you know Justice's time estimate and then we can decide on when to mail it.

Thanks
Shelley

Shelley Canitz
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Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Hooton, Raylene HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2012 3:27 PM
To: Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX; Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: can we have more time on 937816

Cliff updated.

Thanks.

From: Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2012 2:32 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX; Hooton, Raylene HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: can we have more time on 937816

Sounds good to me ☺

Raylene if you could just make a note in CLIFF about this we'll be good to go.. thanks all!

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2012 2:02 PM
To: Hooton, Raylene HLTH:EX; Kronick, Ilana HLTH:EX
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Shelley

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Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, August 3, 2012 1:42 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject:
Attachments: S17

Hi

Here are the options I've come up with – in no particular order.

Thanks

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Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX

From: Pattison, Enza B HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, August 3, 2012 12:12 PM
To: Colantonio, Stefan HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Article of interest
Attachments: ajhp.091005-QUAN-329.pdf

Hi Stefan

See the attached pdf for the full-text.

Let me know if you if there are additional references at the end this article that you would like me to investigate.

Sincerely,
Enza

Am J Health Promot. 2011 Sep-Oct;26(1):37-44.

A systematic examination of smoke-free policies in multiunit dwellings in Virginia as reported by property managers: implications for prevention.

Jackson SL, Bonnie RJ.

Source

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Abstract

PURPOSE:

In most states, smoking has been curtailed to some extent in public buildings, workplaces, and restaurants. The next frontier for smoke-free policies is the multiunit dwelling industry. However, the extent to which smoke-free housing currently is available is unknown. The purpose of this study was to measure the market for smoke-free housing in Virginia and to identify barriers to adopting smoke-free policies.

DESIGN:

Telephone interviews were conducted with property managers of rental apartments, townhouses, senior housing, and public housing in four Virginia cities.

SETTING:

Four cities in Virginia.

SUBJECTS:

Two hundred sixty-three property managers in four cities in Virginia (approximately 75 property managers per city).

MEASURES:

Property managers were administered a brief telephone survey.

RESULTS:

Only 33.8% of property managers reported some type of smoke-free policy, with only 15% of those policies prohibiting smoking in residential units. Most property managers without a smoke-free policy were not considering adopting such a policy for a variety of reasons.

CONCLUSION:

The availability of smoke-free multiunit dwellings is severely lacking. This study identified a number of science-based and legal misperceptions that may prevent the adoption of smoke-free policies. Correction of these misperceptions is warranted to increase the availability of smoke-free housing. Such policies will be useful in creating environments that support good health practices while simultaneously protecting tenants from exposure to secondhand smoke.

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From: Pattison, Enza B HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, August 3, 2012 12:07 PM
To: Pattison, Enza B HLTH:EX
Subject: Article of interest

Tobacco Control

A Systematic Examination of Smoke-Free Policies in Multiunit Dwellings in Virginia as Reported by Property Managers: Implications for Prevention

Shelly L. Jackson, PhD; Richard J. Bonnie, LLB

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Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Woodland, Laurie HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2012 2:13 PM
To: Miniaci, Mario HLTH:EX; Maksymetz, Richard HLTH:EX
Cc: Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Update on Tobacco?
Attachments: image001.png; image002.png; image003.png; image004.png

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From: Miniaci, Mario HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2012 2:08 PM
To: Maksymetz, Richard HLTH:EX; Woodland, Laurie HLTH:EX
Cc: Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Update on Tobacco?

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Mario

From: Maksymetz, Richard HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, August 3, 2012 3:06 PM
To: Woodland, Laurie HLTH:EX
Cc: Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX; Miniaci, Mario HLTH:EX
Subject: Re: Update on Tobacco?

Adding Mario who was in attendance for that meeting.

From: Woodland, Laurie HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, August 03, 2012 02:25 PM
To: Maksymetz, Richard HLTH:EX
Cc: Cowan, Darynn HLTH:EX
Subject: Update on Tobacco?

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Thanks very much.....enjoy the long weekend

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Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 9:56 AM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: question about smoke-free public housing

Sent off to BC Housing. Waiting their response.

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 3:33 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: question about smoke-free public housing

Yes – and more specifically – are there just the three sites or have more been announced.

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 2:22 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: question about smoke-free public housing

Hi

I saw that link myself - I'm not sure who he spoke to he didn't say.

Maybe I should send this to him so he knows.

Thanks

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 2:06 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: question about smoke-free public housing

This listing looks like it has smoke-free identifiers – see the key
http://www.bchousing.org/resources/Housing_Listings/zone9_senior.pdf

see this newsletter - http://www.bchousing.org/resources/Tenant/Newsletter/News_for_You_June_2010.pdf - with the article 'three sites go smoke-free'

I think he may have spoken to a new person – maybe?

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 1:42 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: question about smoke-free public housing

Hi Shelley

What more would you like to know? Should we ask for more info etc or is this sufficient?

Thanks

From: Crane, Bob OHCS:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 1:35 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: question about smoke-free public housing

Karen, BC Housing has told me they don't have a listing available. People would have to call BC Housing to discuss their options.

Bob Crane

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From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 11:09 AM
To: Crane, Bob OHCS:EX
Subject: RE: question about smoke-free public housing

Thanks Bob

From: Crane, Bob OHCS:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 11:07 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: question about smoke-free public housing

Hi, Karen. I'm checking with BC Housing and will let you know what I find.

Bob Crane

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From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, June 11, 2012 9:56 AM
To: Crane, Bob OHCS:EX
Subject: question about smoke-free public housing

Hi Bob

MOH wanted to know if you had a website where someone could look and get a list of all smoke-free public housing in BC? I've left you a voice mail around this as well. Can you let me know?

Thanks

Karen Parasram, Manager
Chronic Disease/Injury Prevention & Built Environment
Tobacco Control Program
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Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 4:52 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Question about smoke-free public housing

There wasn't one listed in W Van in the newsletter – it was in Van. They've given us the ones listed in the newsletter. Am I missing something?

Thanks

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 4:47 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Question about smoke-free public housing

Please get the name of the one listed in the newsletter in West Van and ask if it is SF

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 4:32 PM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Question about smoke-free public housing


From: Cathy Shen [<mailto:cshen@bchousing.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 3:11 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Question about smoke-free public housing

Hi Karen, in response to your question about the smoke free sites that are managed by BC Housing, we have four:

Comox Street townhouses (Vancouver)
Maclean Park Extension tower (Vancouver)
Mountain View Manor (Keremeos)
Evergreen Terrace (Victoria)

There may be non-profit providers that offer smoke-free options but they are not obliged to inform BC Housing.

Hope that helps,
Cathy

Cathy Shen
Advisor, Strategic Planning, Executive Office
Business Manager, *livegreen* Employee Council
BC Housing
778-452-6428
 Please consider the environment before printing this email.

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX [<mailto:Karen.Parasram@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: June-13-12 9:56 AM
To: Cathy Shen
Subject: Question about smoke-free public housing

Hi Cathy

MOH had a question about how many smoke-free public housing sites are available in BC. We looked on your website below and found 2 smoke-free sites.

smoke-free identifiers – 2 sites listed

http://www.bchousing.org/resources/Housing_Listings/zone9_senior.pdf

Nanaimo

NP Salish Lelum, 479 Tenth St

Port Hardy

NP Hardy Bay Rotary Seniors Lodge, 7480 Rupert St, General Delivery

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Thanks

Karen Parasram, Manager

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Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX

From: Cathy Shen [cshen@bchousing.org]
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2012 10:20 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Question about smoke-free public housing

Hi Karen,

Are you looking for BC Housing directly-managed public housing sites?

The two that are listed in Nanaimo and Port Hardy are run by non-profits.

Cathy

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From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2012 8:55 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: Seeing bylaws through the smoke

<http://www.theprovince.com/health/Seeing+bylaws+through+smoke/6686385/story.html>

Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Shaw, Ken [Ken.Shaw@fraserhealth.ca]
Sent: Thursday, May 17, 2012 12:10 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX; Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: 2nd hand smoke Case

cool!

<http://updatednews.ca/2012/05/15/langley-couple-gets-8k-for-second-hand-condo-smoke/>

Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2012 9:24 AM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: RE: Langley couple gets \$8K for second-hand condo smoke - British Columbia - CBC News

Interesting

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From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2012 9:20 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: Langley couple gets \$8K for second-hand condo smoke - British Columbia - CBC News

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/story/2012/05/15/bc-second-hand-smoke.html?cmp=rss>

Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2012 9:34 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: Smoking To Be Banned In Santa Monica Apartments, Condos | Santa Monica Mirror

<http://www.smmirror.com/articles/News/Smoking-To-Be-Banned-In-Santa-Monica-Apartments-Condos/35011>

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Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 9:47 AM
To: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Subject: Smoking and housing prices
Attachments: Smoking and housing prices.docx

FYI in case you need to access the links

House Prices and Smoking

<http://www.bellenews.com/2012/06/28/home-garden/household-insurance-for-smokers/>

<http://www.bellenews.com/2012/06/28/home-garden/smoking-can-lower-your-house-price/>

<http://ezinearticles.com/?What-Is-That-Smell?-Prepare-Your-Home-for-Sale&id=5943232>

<http://www.costofsmoking.com/>

<http://www.metro.co.uk/news/874414-smoking-can-devalue-house-prices-according-to-new-research>

<http://www.homesgofast.com/Smoking-lowers-house-prices.php>

<http://www.lovemoney.com/news/property-and-mortgages/house-prices/12791/how-smoking-damages-the-value-of-your-home>

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Third Hand Smoke

<http://www.otru.org/th3/videos.html>

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From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 1:09 PM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: HUD SF housing doc - FYI only

Karen - an interesting resource - the smokefreehousing site does something similar, but this comes from government. Might be interesting to have something like this on HPSE at some point down the line. Good language and tone, I think

<http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=pdfowners.pdf>

Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, July 20, 2012 1:12 PM
To: Colantonio, Stefan HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: Smoking To Be Banned In Santa Monica Apartments, Condos | Santa Monica Mirror

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To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: Smoking To Be Banned In Santa Monica Apartments, Condos | Santa Monica Mirror

<http://www.smmirror.com/articles/News/Smoking-To-Be-Banned-In-Santa-Monica-Apartments-Condos/35011>

FYI

Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX

From: Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2012 9:59 AM
To: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Subject: Whose rights and health deserve protection?

<http://www.royalcityrecord.com/health/Whose+rights+health+deserve+protection/6962980/story.html>

Scalzo, Lee G HLTH:EX

From: Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX
Sent: Friday, August 3, 2012 11:35 AM
To: Colantonio, Stefan HLTH:EX
Subject: FW: BC Strata Decision re: Strata Board Pays for Second-hand Smoke

From: Jack Boomer [mailto:] S22
Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2012 11:23 AM
To: 'Mark Collison'; S22 ; 'Gene Chin'; 'Katrina van Bylandt'; S22 Canitz, Shelley L HLTH:EX;
Parasram, Karen HLTH:EX; Best, Frankie HLTH:EX; 'Peters, Veda'; XT:HLTH Brown, Jami; Bruce, Kim; XT:HLTH Tonella,
Christina; XT:HLTH Baas, Lex; XT:Kerr, Julie HLTH:IN
Subject: BC Strata Decision re: Strata Board Pays for Second-hand Smoke

FYI, interesting decision about the Strata Board related to second-hand smoke. The article was scanned below – dated May 15, 2012.

<http://www.vancouversun.com/health/Strata+board+second+hand+smoke/6621889/story.html>

The full tribunal report is listed below.

http://www.bchrt.bc.ca/decisions/2012/pdf/may/167_McDaniel_and_McDaniel_v_Strata_Plan_LMS_1657_2012_BCHRT_167.pdf

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To: Colantonio, Stefan HLTH:EX
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RE: Please upgrade and enforce Tobacco Act at residential dwellings

Dear Honourable Dr. MacDiarmid,

As you are aware, second hand smoking has a huge negative effect to those who do not smoke. As a non-smoker, I take pride for taking good care of my body and family.

Living in a townhouse unit, I am well within arms reach to my neighbour's entrances and yards. Unfortunately, both my neighbours are smokers. One is kind enough to only smoke at the back, but the other one just lights up wherever she prefers, whenever.

I did some research, and found by smoking in her balcony, front and back yards, she is actually violating BC Tobacco Act, Vancouver City By-Law and BC Strata Property Act. Unfortunately, none of the acts or by-law actually enforces the policies and this allows thousands of smokers in BC causing nuisance and hazard to their non-smoking neighbours. A simple search on Google shows many residences complained about similar issue, yet the ones causing hazards to others still continue their acts.

Please, it is time to update Tobacco Act and allow law enforcements, whether Federal, Provincial, or Municipal to actively catch and fine these offenders. We have traffic enforcement officers proactively catching violators to reduce risk of traffic accidents that kill innocent people. By the same argument, we also should have similar enforcement in place since second hand smoke kills, too.

Thank-you,

S22

June 25, 2012

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EMAIL RESPONSE

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. S22

Thank you for your letter dated July 11, 2012, regarding, banning smoking in residential homes. The Honourable Michael de Jong, QC, Minister of Health, has shared your email with me and I am happy to respond on his behalf.

In British Columbia, the *Tobacco Control Act* sets a minimum standard for work/public places that all facilities must meet. The Act bans smoking in common areas of apartment buildings, condominiums and dormitories.

Provincially smoking is banned in the following places:

- Smoking is not permitted in any fully or substantially enclosed public place or workplace.
- Smoking is not permitted within three metres of most public or workplace doorways, open windows, or air intakes (i.e. a "buffer zone").
- Substantially enclosed transit shelters are smoke-free.
- Tobacco use of any kind, including smoking, is banned on all public and private K-12 school grounds.
- In motor vehicles when youth under sixteen years of age are present.

Smoking is restricted in a person's home when it is another person's place of work. If workers or service providers, such as homecare workers and trades people, come to work inside your home, WorkSafeBC advises that smoking stop one hour before they arrive.

A municipality, health authority, post secondary institution, or owner of a work or public place may have more restrictive requirements in place, if they wish. For example, the City of Vancouver's bylaw prohibits smoking on or within six metres of a customer service area (includes all patios regardless of whether or not they are covered by a roof); within six metres of entrances, windows that open and air intakes; in an enclosed or partially enclosed shelter where people wait to board a vehicle for hire or public transit.

Information about BC's tobacco control laws can be found at: <http://www.health.gov.bc.ca/tobacco/communities.html>. The Clean Air Coalition also has an excellent website at www.cleanaircoalitionbc.com which provides a broader range of information around smoking issues.

At this time, government does not anticipate any ban on smoking inside private residences, or drifting smoke in multi-unit dwellings.

I appreciate the opportunity to respond.

Yours truly,

Laurie Woodland
Executive Director
Chronic Disease, Injury Prevention and Built Environment

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EMAIL RESPONSE

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Thank you for your email dated July 20, 2012, regarding banning the sale of tobacco in BC. The Honourable Michael de Jong, QC, Minister of Health, has shared your email with me and I am happy to respond on his behalf. It is always difficult to see your family hurt by smoking.

You are correct when you state that there are serious health risks from tobacco use. The province, in recognition of these health risks, has banned smoking in the following places:

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- Common areas of apartment buildings, condominiums and dormitories are smoke-free.
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The Smoking Cessation Program helps British Columbians stop smoking or using other tobacco products by assisting with the cost of smoking cessation aids. Information on the program is available at: www.health.gov.bc.ca/pharmacare/stop-smoking.

The government has also joined with other provinces in tobacco litigation which seeks to hold tobacco companies accountable for the harms caused by tobacco use.

At this time, government does not anticipate any ban on the sale of tobacco.

Thank you for sharing your concerns.

Yours truly,

Laurie Woodland
Executive Director
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EMAIL RESPONSE

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Thank you for your email dated May 25, 2012, to the Honourable Michael De Jong, QC, Minister of Health in which you advocate for 1) a cigarette tax increase with the revenue specifically applied to tobacco control initiatives, 2) a requirement that multi-unit dwellings disclose their smoking policies and the status of units at the time of purchase or rental and 3) divesting the BCIMC's \$346 million of tobacco shares.

I appreciate the opportunity to respond. Please contact Shelley Canitz, Director, Tobacco Control Program at (250) 952-2304 or email her at Shelley.Canitz@gov.bc.ca to schedule a teleconference or to discuss the possibility of an in person meeting with Shelley.

Thank you for raising your concerns on issues affecting tobacco control initiatives.

Yours truly,

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