Last Cowboy Standing: Smoking and the Future of **Tobacco Control**

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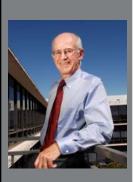
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Agenda

- Welcome and Greetings
 - Brian Clark, SCLC, moderator
 - Steve Schroeder, Director, SCLC
- Presentation from Dr. Ken Warner
- Questions & Answers
- Technical Assistance and Closing Remarks

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Welcome



- Steven A. Schroeder, MD
 - Director, Smoking Cessation Leadership Center
 - Distinguished Professor of Health and Health Care, Department of Medicine, UCSF

Webinar Objectives:

- Understand the present landscape of tobacco
- Examine current strategies and explore new directions that could have a more dramatic impact on tobacco control
- Understand why it is now appropriate to consider tobacco endgame strategies

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Today's Speaker

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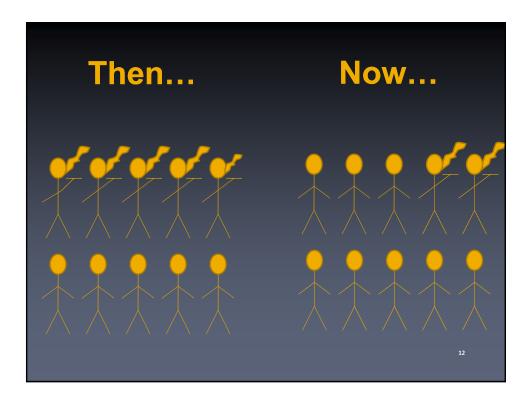
- 1. A (brief) consideration of change in smoking behavior past 100 years
- 2. Policy interventions & their effects
- 3. Why evidence-based policies
 - a. Are essential but...
 - b. Will not be enough
- 4. Hence the need to consider an "endgame" scenario
- 5. Possible end-game strategies

Dramatic change in attitudes and norms



Change in smoking behavior

- Total cigarette consumption ↓ from 633B in 1981 to 299B in 2011



What produced this remarkable change in attitudes, norms, and behavior?

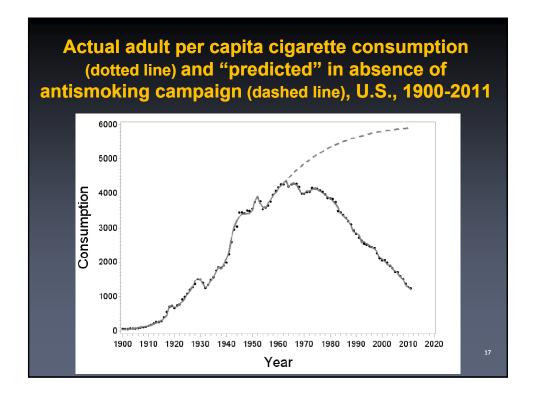
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U.S. anti-smoking campaign

- Phase I (1964-early 1970s): Information & persuasion
- Phase II (1973-late 1980s): "First" non-smokers' rights movement
- Phase III (late 1980s-early 2000s): Comprehensive tobacco control
- Phase IV (Early 2000s-present): "Second" non-smokers' rights movement

Process of change

- Information & public education first, understood & acted upon by SES elite
- Elites most politically enfranchised lobby for policy changes
 - Public health & social motivations
 - But selfish too
 - Cigarette tax increases
 Ban on smoking on airlines
- Middle and lower SES respond to social pressures & environmental changes
- Norms change leads to more (and stronger) policy change Virtuous cycle



Health consequence

Since 1964, > 5 million* premature deaths averted in U.S. as a result of campaign-induced decisions to quit smoking or not to start. On average, 15-20 year gain!

- Our greatest public health success story of last 50 years
- Greatest remaining burden of preventable death and illness

* Educated guestimate

Types of policy interventions

- Information & education
 - Reports of the Surgeon General; warning labels; school health education; media anti-smoking campaigns
- Incentives
 - Tax increase
- Laws & regulations
 - Ad ban; smoke-free workplace laws; sales to minors & PUP laws

Intervention effectiveness

Effective

- 1. Info & education
- 2. Tax
- Clean indoor air laws, policies
- 4. Counter-advertising
- 5. Ad bans
- 6. Comprehensive TC programs

Not effective

- 1. School health ed
- 2. Warning labels (New ones?)
- 3. Insurance differentials?
- 4. Minors possession, use, & purchase laws
- 5. Sales to minors laws

Early years of antismoking campaign

- Information & public education
 - 1964 Surgeon General's report & media coverage
 - 15% decline in cig sales first 3 months
 - Fairness Doctrine ads
 - ↓ 4 consecutive years

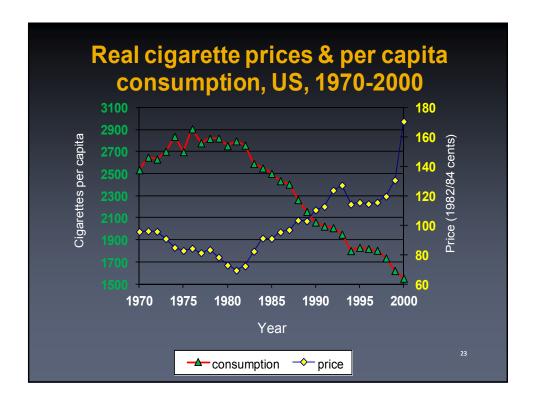


Tax increases, 1964-71



Effects of tax/price increase

- Price elasticity of demand = -0.3 to -0.5 (10% price increase \rightarrow 3-5% demand decrease)
 - Half prevalence, half cigs/day
- Low-income smokers more price responsive than high-income smokers (implications for health disparities)
- Children 2-3 times more price responsive than adults



First incarnation of nonsmokers' rights laws Nonsmoking areas/sections, 1973-2000 Restaurants Airports, etc. Arizona 1973, Minnesota 1975

Second incarnation of nonsmokers' rights laws

- Completely nonsmoking workplaces, including restaurants & bars, 2000-present
 - Delaware 2002
 - Ireland 2004
 - Today > 30 U.S. states, > 30 countries

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Effects of smoke-free air laws

Reduce worker exposure (80-95%)



- Increase quitting (3%)
- Decrease daily consumption
- Decrease employer costs
- Decrease AMIs

Advertising & counter-ads

- Restrictions on advertising & promotion
- Counter-advertising





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What doesn't work (well...and now)?



- School health ed (as administered)
- Sales-to-minors and PUP laws

What may or may not work?

- Warning labels
 - Current ones don't work
 - New ones?
- Current legal challenge



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Aggregate impacts of TC in US

- Dramatic...but over time
- But the problem isn't solved

Persistence of smoking

- ≈ 20% remain smokers
- 70% want to quit
- 50% try each year
- 2.5% (or fewer) SUCCEEd

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The big problem re smoking: Remaining smokers different

- Heavily addicted (Hard core?)
- Low SES
 - < 10% college grads smoke</p>
 - Some blue collar pops. > 30%



- Self medicating?
- Some may not want to quit

Concern about where smoking is headed: Adult smoking prevalence leveled off in U.S. 2004-2009

Year	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Prevalence (%), Ages 18+	20.9	20.9	20.8	19.8	20.6	20.6	19.3	19.0

Source: National Health Interview Survey, National Center for Health Statistics

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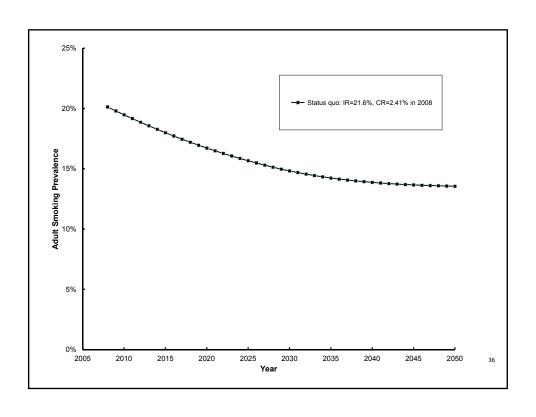
Smoking prevalence rising in Singapore!

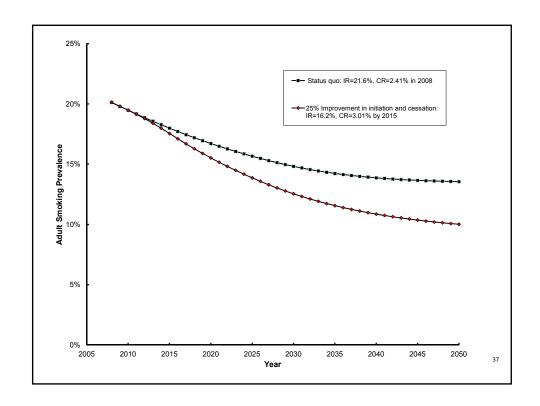
Year	1992	2004	2007	2010
Ages 18-69	18.3%	12.6%	13.6%	14.3%
Ages 18-29		12.3%		16.3%

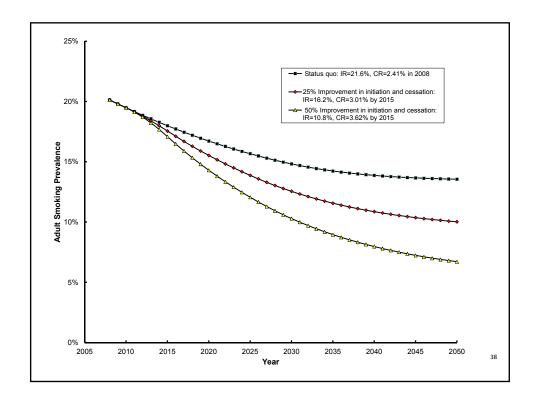
Mendez-Warner smoking demographics model

- Calibrated to NHIS data through 1995, projected 2005 U.S. prevalence precisely (20.9%)
- Projected 2010 prevalence 0.6 too high (19.9% vs. actual 19.3%)
- Calibrated to data through 2000, projected 2010 prevalence 0.2 too low (19.1% vs. actual 19.3%)

Source: Mendez and Warner, AJPH 2012





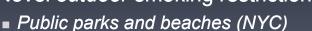


Where do we go from here? Likely near-future directions

- More states go smoke-free
 - Within ≈ 5 years, nearly all states will be smoke-free
- Cigarette excise tax increases states (and perhaps federal...several years hence)
- U.S. smoking prevalence ↓ to 14.5-17%
 by 2020 (19% in 2011)

Policy innovations State, local, & institutional level

Novel outdoor smoking restrictions







- Entire university campuses (Univ. of Michigan)
- Cars with kids inside

Potential policy innovations Federal level

- Product regulation (with new FDA authority)
 - Ban menthol?
 - Plain packaging?
 - Restrictions on marketing of some new products; approval of novel treatments?
 - How handle E-cigs?
 - Approval of a true nicotine inhaler??





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Barriers & opportunities

- Barriers
 - Industry opposition
 - Congressional opposition (See above)
 - Legal issues
 - Black markets & other "side effects"
 - Legitimate philosophical issues
 - Low priority in gov't. (and society)
- Opportunities
 - Impatience of public health community

 → political pressure
 - New Director of FDA CTP, Mitch Zeller



Need for something more – Origins of the endgame discussion

- Concern about (and frustration with) slowness of progress
- Appreciation that business-as-usual won't solve the problem
- W/o something more, hundreds of thousands of annual deaths for decades to come
- Therefore we need..."something more"

End-game policy ideas

- Govt. control of supply/sales
 - Not-for-profit regulated supply with harm reduction mandate (Australia, Canada)
 - "Sinking lid" on availability (NZ)
- Prohibiting possession of tobacco for people born after (e.g.) 2000 (Singapore)
- Reducing nicotine to non-addicting levels (US)
- Eventual prohibition, or "prohibition lite"
 (banning combusted tobacco products) (US)

What will happen?

- Obvious answer:
 - I dunno.



- Barriers to game-changing policy innovation = enormous
 - But so too is importance of innovation
- Don't ever underestimate tobacco control

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An additional problem for tobacco control: Defining ultimate success

- Reducing prevalence?
 - Of what? Cigarette smoking? All tobacco use?
 - **■** 10%? 5%? 0%?
- Eliminating nicotine addiction?
- Minimizing harm from tobacco use?

What will it take to continue making substantial progress?

- Creativity
- Energy
- Politically sophisticated advocacy
- Resources
- Leadership



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Questions & Answers

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