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New York State Bans the Sale of Flavored E-cigarettes

The latest in a series of actions to combat the increase in youth users

Mount Morris, NY, September 19, 2019 – The Livingston County Department of Health is alerting residents of the ban regarding the sale of most flavored e-cigarettes in New York. Per the New York State Department of Health, the ban is the latest in a series of actions to combat the increase in young people using vape products. This is largely as a result of e-cigarette companies marketing flavors that are intended to get children addicted to nicotine.

The New York State Department of Health is providing retailers with a two-week grace period before visits are conducted to enforce this ban. The enforcement will begin on October 4, 2019, and will be the responsibility of local health departments. Retailers who do not follow this State directed ban, could face fines up to \$2,000 per violation.

Health officials, including the Livingston County Public Health Director, are urging people to stop using vape products. E-cigarettes are not an FDA-approved method to help people quit smoking. For more information, please visit https://health.ny.gov/prevention/tobacco_control/campaign/e-cigarettes/.

Most adult smokers want to quit, and individuals who smoke or use other tobacco products can improve their chances of quitting for good with treatment from their health care provider and by using FDA-approved medications. To learn more, talk to your health care provider, or call or visit the [New York State Smokers' Quitline](#) at 1-866-NYQUITS.

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