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Hello - MDPH has sent out the guidance documents re: vaping ban. Let's connect in the morning to plan next steps.

Sent from my iPhone

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Link to press release: [Governor Charlie Baker Declares Public Health Emergency, Announces Temporary Four-Month Ban on Sale of All Vape Products](#)

Link to web page: [Declaration of Public Health Emergency](#)

Dear Local Public Health Colleagues,

Today, Massachusetts Department of Public Health Commissioner Monica Bharel, with the approval of the Governor and the Public Health Council, issued an order to temporarily prohibit the sale of all vaping products in retail establishments, online, and by any other means in Massachusetts until further notice. This follows Governor Baker's declaration made today of a public health emergency in the Commonwealth due to severe lung disease associated with the use of e-cigarettes and vaping products.

The growing multistate outbreak of severe lung disease associated with vaping and the epidemic facing youth use of e-cigarettes has led to this necessary and important action. Attached are 9 documents including the Governor's public health emergency declaration, the Order, and a guidance document that details recommendations for enforcement of this order and resources for municipalities.

1. BOH Guidance vaping order
2. DPH notice of order to retailers 092419
3. BOH and retailers.9.24.19
4. Cease and Desist Document 9.24.19
5. Governor Charlie Baker Declares Public Health Emergency
6. Governors-Declaration-of-Emergency
7. NRT Order.9.24.19
8. Vaping Products Order.9.24.19
9. VapingBanSignage1

The role of local public health is critical in protecting the residents of the Commonwealth. We fully appreciate the work that is being done on the municipal level, every day.

Thank you for your partnership in the fight against this epidemic.

Ron

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