

**Benchmark Activity:**

**10.4:** The local health department shall promote and support the use of evidence-based health promotion/disease prevention strategies by other community agencies and organizations.

**Durham County Board of Health  
Agenda Item Summary**

Meeting Date: October 13, 2022

Agenda Item Subject: Discuss BOH Resolution, "Protecting Our Kids from Vaping and Nicotine Addiction"

Attachment (s): Draft BOH Resolution

Staff or Board Member Reporting: Natalie Thompson

Purpose:  X  Action  
\_\_\_\_\_ Information only  
\_\_\_\_\_ Information with possible action

**Objectives:**

To discuss and vote on whether to adopt a BOH Resolution in support of a North Carolina comprehensive Tobacco 21 law that includes tobacco retailer licensing.

**Summary Information:**

The federal minimum age of purchase for tobacco products is 21. NC is one of a few states that has not updated the state law to match the federal law, causing confusion among retailers. NC is also one of a few states that does not have a tobacco retailer licensing system. Including a licensing system in a comprehensive state Tobacco 21 Law would allow the state to know where tobacco is sold and to inspect for responsible retail practices. If approved, this proposed Resolution would express DCoDPH BOH’s support for a comprehensive North Carolina Tobacco 21 Law.

**Recommended Action:**  X  Approve  
\_\_\_\_\_ Approve & forward to Board of Commissioners for action  
\_\_\_\_\_ Approve & forward to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Accept as information  
\_\_\_\_\_ Revise & schedule for future action  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (details): \_\_\_\_\_