

# HIGH IMPACT HOSPITAL IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY: Smoke-free Workplace Ordinances

Kentucky leads the nation in smoking, costing us nearly \$2 billion per year in healthcare expenses. Tobacco use is a common unmet need in community health needs assessments.

Advocating for a comprehensive smoke-free workplace ordinance is the most impactful way to lower tobacco use in your community.

**Add smoke-free policy to your action plan!**

## Comprehensive smoke-free workplace laws:

Lower readmission rates, saving \$\$

Reduce smoking

Protect workers from secondhand smoke

Save lives and \$\$

## What can hospitals do?

Lead or join a smoke-free coalition

Host a smoke-free policy forum

Sign a smoke-free resolution

Use marketing \$\$ to educate on secondhand smoke

Ask the Kentucky Center for Smoke-free Policy for FREE high impact tools and strategies:

County level data

Print media templates

Legal resources

Community Readiness Assessment

Air quality testing

There is NO safe level of exposure to secondhand smoke.

Let's work TOGETHER to reduce the health and financial burden of tobacco in Kentucky.