



Tobacco Retail Licensing: Rules Advisory Committee Meeting

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Why We Are Here Today

- Provide background/history of Tobacco Retail Licensing (TRL) in Multnomah County.
- Provide an overview of the TRL resolution and ordinance.
- Provide an overview of the purpose of the draft rules.
- Sections of the rules to be covered for the day.



Historical Overview

- Discussion on licensing began in the mid 1990's.
- In 2012, reconvened community stakeholders who identified tobacco use and youth access as a priority.



Recent History

- MCHD conducted research and built the case of youth access to tobacco as a pressing public health issue facing our community.
- This work and research resulted in MCHD being awarded a grant that:
 - Allowed MCHD and OHEA to conduct a comprehensive tobacco retail assessment.
 - Engaged of community partners.



Recent History

- Six public meetings, including an online public comment period.



Dr. Tia Henderson of Upstream Public Health addresses the board at the October 20, 2015 hearing



Amira Spears-Hardy addresses the board at the October 20, 2015 hearing



Resolution

No. 2015-125

- Through Multnomah County Ordinance 1225 - Licensing of Tobacco Retailers in Multnomah County, a Tobacco Retail Licensing (TRL) Administrative Rulemaking Committee appointed to adopt administrative rules that include but are not limited to:
 - License application and issuance process
 - Licensing inspection
 - Licensing enforcement, including a notice of violation process
 - Data collection
 - Educational information



Ordinance No. 1225

- Requires all retailers to obtain a license in order to sell tobacco and vaping products.
- Includes inhalant delivery systems (vaping products) containing or delivering nicotine.
- Provides that violation of any tobacco retail law is a violation of tobacco retail licensing and may lead to civil penalties.
- Prohibits mobile sales.
- Requires a Rules Advisory Committee (RAC) to recommend rules that will be reviewed and approved by Multnomah County Health Department leadership and adopted by the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners.



Rules: Sections to be Covered Today

- Overview of how proposed rules were developed



Questions?

