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Education Resources

Curricular health resource support for schools and educational establishments to combat the use of vaping amongst children and young people.

Following a motion adopted by South Lanarkshire Council on 9 May 2023 to help combat the use of vaping products amongst children and young people, Education Resources have been tasked with looking at what steps they can take to raise awareness of the impact on young people's health and to look at what can be done through the health and wellbeing curriculum and promotion campaigns to help people make more informed choices.

"South Lanarkshire Council is concerned at the health and environmental harm caused by the increasing use, particularly by young people, of Disposable Nicotine Vapour Products (DNVPs / vapes).

	Actions	Lead	Timescale	Complete	Date
1.	<p>Raising awareness - Procedures and Practice The Council and its partners are tasked with looking at what they can do to reduce the use of vaping products amongst children and young people and to consider the potential of a communications campaign to raise awareness of such issues.</p> <p>Actions for Education Resources Raise awareness of the guidance from Public Health on the impact on young people's health.</p> <p>Raise awareness of the environmental issues – how are vaping products discarded properly and what are the harmful effects if they are not.</p>	CQIS /in partnership with NHS Public Health and Environmental Health	End of October 2023		
2.	<p>Resources Implement updates on the effects of vaping into the HWB curriculum to help pupils make informed choices.</p>	CQIS			

	<p>Education Resources have undertaken a review of the exiting HWB curriculum framework and have produced new resources and guidance to support staff in schools and services to raise awareness and empower pupils to make informed and positive choices.</p> <p>Education Resources will also consider the forthcoming publication of the Scottish Government's Tobacco Action Plan, which will consider a range of interventions with an emphasis on reducing smoking and vaping among children and young people. (how can we tie this into existing curricular resources)</p>				
3.	<p>Poster competition</p> <p>Introduce a poster campaign amongst xx prim or secondary pupils that raises awareness of the effects of vaping on health and the discarding of e-cigarettes in streets and communities.</p> <p>Devise criteria for competition; age and stage/what are we asking them to do – slogan with image/ how do they set it ot – online design or artwork?</p> <p>Who will judge? Closing date How will the design that is selected be turned into a poster and how will it be circulated/marketed – NHSL?</p>				
4.	<p>Communication and engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaise with NHSL Public Health and Environmental Health to ensure a partnership approach is adopted. • Share with HTs the planned course of action given that they have raised concerns over this matter. • Inform elected members via a briefing note. • Pupil voice - initiate a public awareness promotional film/case study (NHSL/SLC) involve young people • Share what we are doing with Parent Councils (Sept 				

	2023) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report back to the Executive Committee – corporate approach				
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Evidence based resources (list)