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Fwd: Tobacco Retail Licensing

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Amy:

Please print off copies of the below email for distribution to Board of Health members and meeting attendees tonight.

Thanks,
Scott

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From: **Karen Englert** <Karen.Englert@heart.org>

Date: Wed, Jun 13, 2018 at 5:40 PM

Subject: Tobacco Retail Licensing

To: "Scott.Clardy@como.gov" <Scott.Clardy@como.gov>

Hi Scott,

I wanted to touch base about Columbia's continued discussion on Tobacco Retail Licensing. I am unable to attend the next meeting as I am traveling so I am hoping you will forward this message to the board and/or others involved in this discussion.

I would really encourage them to consider best practices recommended by TCLC. I am not an attorney and never make any claims to be, but years of research, studies by experts in tobacco control legal practice, and observations from other cities have given us a lot of valuable insight on this.

There really needs to be concrete enforcement mechanisms in place including a designated enforcement agency and fine/fee structure which includes revocation of licensing. When a policy leave this vague it often leads to a lot of other issues including bias, the potential for legal challenges, confusion among retailers and enforcers, lack of enforcement because no one owns it, and ultimately, a paper policy rather than an effective policy.

I am traveling over the next three days but feel free to share this and/or my contact information. Ginny Chadwick is certainly the best resource for TRL, but the American Heart Association is always happy to provide technical assistance as needed or wanted.

Again, thank you for considering this important policy for Columbia.

Best,

Karen

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