# WHY CESSATION MATTERS:

- Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable disease, disability, and death in the United States.
- While quitting may be difficult for some, it is possible.
- Cessation is a key component of a comprehensive approach to prevent and reduce tobacco use.
- Cessation is one of four impact areas that serve as foundational pillars of CDC's Office on Smoking and Health's work.



## OFFICE ON SMOKING AND HEALTH



# Key Overarching Impact Areas



Prevent
INITIATION of
tobacco use
among youth
and young
adults



Eliminate exposure to SECONDHAND SMOKE



Increase
Successful
CESSATION in
adults and youth



ldentify and eliminate tobacco-related **DISPARITIES** 

PRINCIPLES: CLEAR, CONSISTENT, AND CONTEMPORARY

### PRIORITIES FOR CESSATION



- 1. Increase quit attempts among people who use tobacco products.
- Increase the use of evidence-based cessation interventions.
- 3. Increase reach of evidence-based cessation interventions.



#### 2019: OSH'S YEAR OF CESSATION



#### Cessation matters, now as much as ever.

A changing environment demands innovation to expand and improve what we do to help people quit.

#### OSH's Year of Cessation

- Identifies opportunities throughout 2019 to support and highlight cessation efforts.
- Aligns cessation-related projects and events with a quarterly focus that begins and ends with helping people quit.



#### 2019: OSH'S YEAR OF CESSATION



**FOCUS:** People who smoke and quit attempts

**OPPORTUNITY:** New Year's

Resolutions

**FOCUS:** Quitlines; Cessation interventions; Linkage with broader tobacco control policies

**OPPORTUNITY:** National

Conference on Tobacco or Health



**FOCUS:** Health conditions improved by quitting; Health systems

**OPPORTUNITY:** Tips From

Former Smokers® 2019 Launch

**FOCUS:** Clinicians and realworld use of evidence-based cessation interventions

OPPORTUNITIES: Great
American Smokeout; Pharmacy
Month; Health Literacy Month