Indonesia - Medan Global School Personnel Survey (GSPS)

FACT SHEET

The Indonesia-Medan GSPS includes data on prevalence of cigarette and other tobacco use as well as information on attitudes on school policy toward tobacco use, access to teaching materials and training, and attitudes toward tobacco use. These factors are components Indonesia-Medan could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Indonesia-Medan GSPS was a school-based survey of school personnel from the schools that participated in the 2004 Indonesia-Medan GYTS.

The GYTS was conducted in schools having students in Kelas 1, 2 and 3. For the GYTS, a two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for all of Indonesia-Medan. At the first stage, schools were selected with probability proportional to enrollment size. At the second stage, classes were randomly selected and all students in selected classes were eligible to participate. The school response rate was 96.0%. For the GSPS, 76.4% of the school personnel completed the survey, for a total of 590 teachers and administrators.

Prevalence of Tobacco Use among School Personnel

23.3% ever smoked cigarettes (Teachers = 21.4%)

18.9% currently use any tobacco product (Admin = 13.8%, Teachers = 19.2%)

19.7% currently smoke cigarettes (Teachers = 19.9%)

0.5% currently use other tobacco products (Teachers = 0.5%)

19.8% smoked on school property in the past year (Admin = 16.7%, Teachers = 19.9%)

School Policies Prohibiting Tobacco Use

98.6% agree schools should have policy prohibiting tobacco use among students

83.1% report school has policy prohibiting tobacco use among students

78.5% agree schools should have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel

24.0% report school has a policy prohibiting tobacco use among personnel

34.4% report school enforces policies on tobacco use for students and personnel

Access to Teaching Materials and Training

19.7% schools include tobacco use prevention in school curriculum

74.7% think teachers need specific training to help students avoid tobacco use

24.1% teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use

19.9% teachers had ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention

34.6% schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention

Attitudes

93.5% think smoke from others is harmful to them

94.4% think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use

78.0% think tobacco product advertising should be completely banned

61.0% think the price of tobacco products should be increased

44.8% think the tobacco industry deliberately encourages youth to use tobacco

Highlights

- 18.9% of school personnel currently use any tobacco product; 19.7% currently smoke cigarettes and 0.5% currently use other tobacco products.
- Over four in five schools have a policy prohibiting tobacco use among students; One-quarter have a policy for personnel; More than onethird of the schools enforce their polices.
- One in five schools includes tobacco use prevention in school curriculum.
- One-quarter of the teachers have access to teaching materials on tobacco use.
- One in five teachers has ever received training on youth tobacco use prevention.
- More than one-third of the schools use non-classroom programs to teach youth tobacco use prevention.
- More than 9 in 10 think teacher tobacco use influences youth tobacco use.