

# Community Mobilization with Additional Interventions to Restrict Minors' Access to Tobacco Products

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## Task Force Finding

### Intervention Definition

These are community-wide interventions aimed at focusing public attention on the issue of youth access to tobacco products and mobilizing community support for additional efforts to reduce that access.

### Task Force Finding (June 2001)\*

The Task Force recommends community mobilization combined with additional interventions—such as stronger local laws directed at retailers, active enforcement of retailer sales laws, and retailer education with reinforcement—on the basis of sufficient evidence of effectiveness in reducing youth tobacco use and access to tobacco products from commercial sources. Preemption is a significant barrier to the implementation of the intervention combinations evaluated in this report. The published literature describes a number of legislative efforts to weaken, replace, or prevent the implementation and conduct of these interventions.

\*From the following publication:

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### Publications

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