Smoking Prohibition

Smoking Related Issues under Other Agencies

<u>Prohibition on the purchase, use and possession of harmful and imitation tobaccoproducts</u>

From 1 February 2018, the purchase, use and possession of emerging and imitation tobacco products are prohibited <u>under the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) Act</u> administered by the Health Sciences Authority (HSA).

Underage Smoking

From 1 January 2021, the minimum legal age for the purchase, use, possession, sale and supply of tobacco products is 21 years old. Underage smoking comes under the purview of the Health Sciences Authority (HSA)'s <u>Tobacco Regulation Branch</u>.

Contraband Cigarettes

The regulation and control of contraband cigarettes (those illegally imported into Singapore) is the responsibility of the Singapore Customs. Further information can be found on their website.

Sale of Cigarettes

Licensees must possess a valid licence in order to sell tobacco products. The <u>licence</u> can be applied from the Health Products Regulation Group, Tobacco Regulation Branch in HSA.

Smoking Control Programmes for Adults

The Smoking Control Programmes for Adults by the Health Promotion Board (HPB) aims to reduce smoking prevalence in Singapore through the following key strategies:

- 1. Tobacco taxation
- 2. Tobacco control legislation
- 3. Public education
- 4. Partnerships
- 5. Provision of smoking cessation services

For more information on the Smoking Control Programmes for Adults, please visit <u>HPB's</u> <u>website</u>.

Smoking Control Programmes for Youth

HPB also implemented tobacco control programmes for children, teenagers and youth by:

- 1. Targeting the general youth population
- 2. Empowering teachers, youth workers, counsellors and parents
- 3. Targeting at-risk youth
- 4. Encouraging positive parental role modelling
- 5. Partnering youth-centric partners
- 6. Prohibition of under-aged smoking
- 7. Leveraging on youth-centric media

More information can be found <u>here</u>.