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Statement on CVS Tobacco Announcement



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Statement from Health Commissioner Harry Chen, MD on CVS Tobacco Announcement

I commend CVS corporation for its decision to take action for public health by no longer selling tobacco products at all of its pharmacy sites – a decision that 56 independent pharmacies in our state have already made.

Tobacco is still the #1 real killer. Of the estimated 75,500 Vermonters who smoke, about half of those who continue will likely die of a preventable smoking-related cause.

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