Interoffice Memorandum



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FROM:

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SUBJECT: JAMA 12/11/91

Not surprisingly, a number of highly visible anti-smoking activists contributed to items included in the subject JAMA issue. These are listed below by item.

ABSTRACTS

"Smoking Cessation Following Admission to a Coronary Care Unit"

- Nancy Rigotti
 - Former Associate Director of the now defunct Institute for the Study of Smoking Behavior and Policy, Kennedy School, Harvard.

"Smoking-Attributable Cancer Mortality in 1991: Is Lung Cancer Now the Leading Cause of Death Among Smokers in the United States?"

- Donald Shopland
 - Works for NCI.
 - Contributor to 1988 Advocacy Institute/NCI workshop on "Media Strategies for Smoking Control."

LETTERS

"Rids' Concept of Cigarette Code"

- Letter attributed to middle-school-aged daughter of Gregory Connolly is:
 - On the STAT Advisory Council.
 - Presenter at the 1990 anti-smoking activist conference, "Tobacco in the '90s." Subject: "International Perspectives on Tobacco Control."

Presented at the 1991 STAT anti-smoking activist conference. Subject: "Tobacco as a Gateway Drug."

- Massachusetts coordinator of the ASTHO (Association of State and Territorial Health Officials) Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Network.

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

"Transdermal Nicotine for Smoking Cessation" (p. 3133)

- Edward Lichtenstein -- Presenter, "Tobacco in the '90s" conference. Subject: "Tobacco Cessation."
- Stephen Fortmann -- Presenter, "Tobacco in the '90s" conference. Subject: "Putting It All Together: Designing a Strategic (community Tobacco Control Campaign."

"Predictors of Physicians' Smoking Cessation Advice" (p. 3139)

- David Altman
 - STAT Advisory Council.
 - STAT board member.
 - Presenter, 1991 STAT conference. Subject: "Eliminating Minors' Access to Tobacco."
 - Co-organizer and presenter, "Tobacco in the '90s" conference. Subject: . "Reducing Sales to Minors."
 - Contributor to 1988 Advocacy Institute/NCI workshop on "Media Strategies for Smoking Control."
- Stephen Fortmann (see above)

"Brand Logo Recognition by Children Ages 3 to 6 Years" (p. 3145)

- John Richards
 - Member of DOC.
 - Editor of DOC News and Views.
 - Member of STAT Advisory Council.
 - Presenter, 1991 STAT conference. Subject: "Guerrilla Counter-Marketing Tactics" and "Counter Advertising and Demonstrations."

"RJR Nabisco's Cartoon Camel Promotes Camel Cigarettes to Kids" (p. 3149)

- Joseph DiFranza
 - Member, STAT board of directors.
 - President, Massachusetts DOC.

- Presenter, 1991 STAT conference. Subject: "Tobacco As a Gateway Drug" (with Greg Connolly).

Producer of video, "Tobacco: The Pushers and Their Victims."

- John Richards (see above)
- Robert Jaffe
 - Executive Director, Washington (State) DOC.

- Member, American Cancer Society.

- Presenter, 1991 STAT conference. Subject: "Raining on the Philip Morris Parade" and "Guerrilla Counter-Marketing Tactics" (with John Richards).

"Does Tobacco Advertising Target Young People to Start Smoking" (p. 3154)

- John Pierce
 - Employed by Office on Smoking and Health, HHS.
 - Contributor to 1988 Advocacy Institute/NCI workshop on "Media Strategies for Smoking Control."
- David Burns
 - Member, Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights (ANR).
 - Contributor to Surgeons General reports.
 - Outspoken anti-ETS activist.
 - Member, EPA SAB that reviewed ETS data.
- Elizabeth Whelan
 - Executive Director, American Council on Science and Health (anti-smoking is important but not sole component of ACSH).
 - Member, STAT Advisory Council.
- Donald Shopland (see above)

"No Smoking Laws in the United States" (p. 3162)

Nancy Rigotti (see above)

"The Effects of Combining Education and Enforcement to Reduce Tobacco Sales to Minors" (p. 3168)

- Ellen Feighery

 - Director, Solana County (CA) Cancer Prevention Program.
 Presenter, "Tobacco in the '90s" conference. Subject: "Developing and Maintaining Effective Tobacco Control Coalitions" (with Joe Tye and David Altman).

• David Altman (see above)

"Clinical Interventions in Tobacco Control" (p. 3172)

- Marc Manley
 - Works for NCI.
 - Contributor to 1988 Advocacy Institute/NCI workshop on "Media Strategies for Smoking Control."
- Roselyn Epps
 - Presenter, "Tobacco in the '90s" conference. Subject:
 "Tobacco Problems in Cultural and Underserved Communities."
- Thomas Glynn
 - Works for NCI.
 - Contributor to 1988 Advocacy Institute/NCI workshop on "Media Strategies for Smoking Control."
- Donald Shopland (see above)

"Nicotine Replacement Therapy During Pregnancy" (p. 3174)

- Neal Benowitz
 - Member, STAT Advisory Council.

COMMENTARY AND EDITORIALS

"Tobacco Marketing. Profiteering From Children" (p. 3185)

• Rep. Henry Wakman

"Reducing Youth Access to Tobacco" (p. 3186)

- Ron Davis
 - Former Director, Office on Smoking and Health, HHS.
 - Member, STAT board of directors.
 - Presenter, "Tobacco in the '90s" conference. Subject: "Overview of the Tobacco [i.e., anti-tobacco] Program."
 - Presenter, 1991 STAT conference. Subject: "A National Update on Tobacco Control Activism."

JAMA standardly references contributors' degrees and professional affiliations, but there is never any reference to their extensive anti-smoking activist affiliations, leaving the impression that a vast body of dedicated and independent researchers produced the materials. As we have seen from other work, however, the effort is fueled by a relatively small and highly interactive number of dedicated activists whose names appear again and again in papers, "studies," newspaper stories, anti-smoking conferences, and anti-smoking organizations' membership lists.

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