Notice: Consultation on Flavour Restrictions for Vaping Products

On June 19, 2021, Health Canada published the proposed <u>Order Amending Schedules</u> <u>2 and 3 to the Tobacco and Vaping Products Act (Flavours)</u> and the proposed <u>Standards for Vaping Products' Sensory Attributes Regulations</u> in the <u>Canada Gazette</u>, Part I.

There has been a rapid increase in youth vaping in Canada. The availability of a range of desirable flavours in vaping products has been identified as a contributing factor in this trend. Health Canada is proposing new measures under the <u>Tobacco and Vaping Products Act</u> to help make vaping products less attractive to youth. The proposed measures would restrict the promotion of flavours to tobacco, mint, menthol and a combination of mint/menthol. The proposal would also prohibit all sugars, sweeteners and most flavouring ingredients in vaping products, except tobacco and mint/menthol flavours. Finally, the proposal would implement standards that would only allow a sensory experience typical of tobacco or mint/menthol.

The Government of Canada sees these proposed measures as essential to protecting a new generation of Canadians from the risk of nicotine addiction and other vaping-related harms. For a plain language summary of the proposal, please refer to the Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement that accompanies the proposed amendments.

Health Canada is seeking your feedback on the draft regulations during the consultation that will close on **September 2**, **2021**.Health Canada welcomes the views of Indigenous peoples with respect to the proposal to restrict flavours in vaping products.

You can participate in the consultation by sending a written submission by mail or email to:

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