FDA Regulation to Protect Public Health

Protecting millions of kids from buying tobacco

45 States and jurisdictions with contracts to conduct inspections

- More than 138,000 inspections show retailers in 39 states actively keeping tobacco away from kids

- More than 7,700 warning letters issued to retailers for violating the law

- More than 520 civil money penalties issued

POPULATION ASSESSMENT OF TOBACCO AND HEALTH (PATH) STUDY

FDA and NIH are collaborating to conduct a national, longitudinal study of tobacco users to monitor and assess the behavioral and health impacts of the Tobacco Control Act.

- The study will follow more than 60,000 users and non-users of tobacco products and those at risk for tobacco use ages 12 and older.

- Data will be collected annually beginning in September 2013 and will provide information on tobacco use initiation, patterns of use, cessation, and relapse, giving us a better understanding of the impact of tobacco control regulations.

FDA Tobacco Product Regulation

- September 2009: Banned flavored cigarettes making them less appealing to kids
- March 2010: Restricted youth access to tobacco products
- June 2010: Banned misleading advertising to avoid misperception that products are safer
- June 2010: Established new smokeless tobacco warnings to communicate health risks
- June 2011: Issued new cigarette health warnings to highlight product dangers (under litigation)
- March 2012: Established list of harmful and potentially harmful constituents
- March 2012: Issued draft guidance on submitting a Modified Risk Tobacco Product Application

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