

Lincoln County Health Department's  
**Tobacco Prevention & Control  
Newsletter**

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## 2009 Tobacco Compliance Checks

Last month the Lincoln County Health Department's Tobacco Prevention Coordinator, Danita Hammond, and a youth volunteer conducted Lincoln County's annual tobacco compliance checks. Compliance checks assure that retailers are not selling tobacco to minors. Through retailer education and tobacco compliance checks, the health department is helping protect the health of our county's youth.

The retailers with no sale in Lincoln County were Sandy's Family Foods, Wonder Mini Mart, Keller Ferry Marina, AG Link, Inc., Sprague Chevron,

Trader's Express, WA Colville, Inc., Reardan Store, Davenport Family Foods, Safeway, Davenport Food Mart, Kathy's Market, and Harrington Food Mart. The Health Department would like to thank all the retailers who did not sell for helping to protect our youth.

There were two sales made, one by Denny's Family Foods and the other by Fort Spokane Store. Selling tobacco to a minor results in a fine for retailers starting at \$100 for the first offense. The clerk is also fined for selling. Repeat offending retailers can be fined up to \$1000 and have their

tobacco license suspended.

Tobacco compliance checks are just one of many ways the Lincoln County Health Department is helping to reduce the use of tobacco among youth in Lincoln County.



### Things to Note:

If you know someone who is thinking about or trying to quit their tobacco use refer them to the Washington State Tobacco Quit Line:

**1-800-QUIT-NOW**



This past May, 4 students from Davenport Junior High presented the information they learned in a Teens Against Tobacco Use (TATU) training to all the 3rd and 4th grade students at Davenport Elementary School. All involved had a great time and learned a lot. This activity is scheduled to continue during the upcoming school year.

## Clean Indoor Air Act (I-901) Reminder



On December 8, 2005 Washington became the 10<sup>th</sup> state to implement a comprehensive smoking law. The initiative expanded the 1985 Clean Indoor Air Act to prohibit

smoking in all indoor public places and places of employment. To be in compliance with the law all places of employment must have [non-smoking] signage visible at entrances and exits. The law also states that smoking is not allowed within 25' of an entrance, exit, or ventilation intake

of an establishment or anywhere an employee would be exposed to secondhand smoke.

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