Sales Laws Directed at Retailers When Used Alone to Restrict Minors' Access to Tobacco Products

Task Force Finding

Intervention Definition
These laws include licensing requirements for tobacco retailers, bans or restrictions on tobacco product vending machines and self-service displays and also other measures, such as requiring proof of the purchaser’s age, displaying sales laws and banning the sale of single cigarettes.

Task Force Finding (June 2001)*
The Task Force finds insufficient evidence to determine the effectiveness of laws directed at retailers when implemented alone in reducing youth access to tobacco, because only one study qualified for our review, and that study had limitations in execution and lacked measurements of youth tobacco use or purchase behaviors.


Publications

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