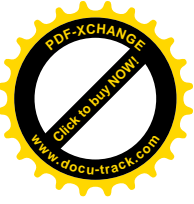


The Smoking agenda

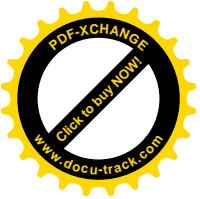
- Ban on smoking in enclosed workplaces.
 - Smoke free policies
- Consultation on The Smoking (NI) Order 2006:
DHSSPS Feb.2006



- * **Ban** on smoking, announced by Health Minister Shaun Woodward, where by all workplaces, enclosed public spaces, including pubs, will become smoke free from April 2007.
- * **Smoke free** policies – HPSS have a target to be smoke free by March 2007. EHSSB facilitated a workshop in Jan. '06, to start the process.

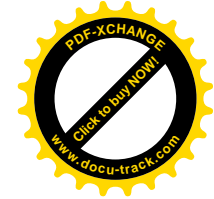
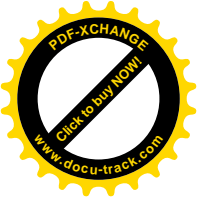


- Plan is to have universal policy which all organisations, in the EHSBB, will sign up to.
- * Policy development group, and possible subgroup, to be established.



The Smoking NI Order 2006 – Consultation

- * Citizens of NI are being asked to help shape legislation on the smoking ban.
 - * Feedback is sought on many issues relating to the ban eg raising the age limit on the sale of cigs. to young people.
 - * Also seeks comments in areas such as a definition of smoke free premises; the extent of any proposed exemptions; offences and levels of penalties.
- Consultation period ends 5 May 06



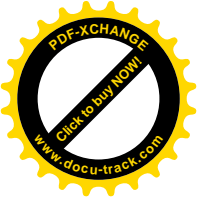
A fifth of UK smokers plan to quit when the ban on smoking comes in- Poll done by NSD, suggests.

2.8 million smokers say the ban will definitely make them quit.

Survey in NI March 8th – “the ban on smoking in NI will encourage almost 40% of smokers to try to quit”



- * Study in Scotland has shown that the vast majority of young people are proud that Scotland is to lead the way in the UK with a smoking ban in public places.
- * It found 84% of 18-24 yr olds believed a smoke free Scotland was something to be proud about.



Eastern Area Tobacco Control Group (EATCG)

• Aim of EATCG is:

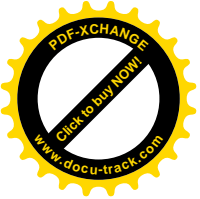
-to facilitate and overview the implementation of
the NI Tobacco Action plan

-To advise on tobacco related issues of area wide
importance,

One main, multi agency group and 3 subgroups.

The sub groups focus on the 3 target areas –
pregnancy, young people and disadvantaged adults.

Aim of Tobacco Action plan is to create a tobacco
free society.

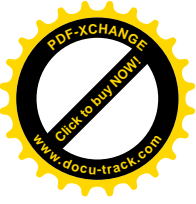


EPACG/Tobacco Action plan

- Smoking report 2004/05 available.
- Action plan for 2006/07 presently being drafted.
- Smoking & Pregnancy seminar on 30th March '06.
 - Community grants for smoking cessation/prevention/education projects.
 - Quit and get fit leaflet in production.



Specialist Smoking cessation and Brief Intervention training provided.



- * Specialist smoking cessation services funded.**
- * Website –www.ehssb.n-i.nhs.uk**
- * Smokescreen Newsletter produced.**



Moving forward

- * Are you working towards the Tobacco Action plan agenda?

- * What connections do you need to make to further the smoking agenda?

- * What further support do you need re: smoking issues?

- * Any local priorities we should be addressing?