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## **August 2017 Newsletter**

Center for a Tobacco-Free Finger Lakes (CTFFL)

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Our Goal: Working with Medical Health Systems and Mental Health Systems to establish sustainable tobacco control.

Serving Chemung, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Schuyler, Steuben, Wayne and Yates counties.

MINI-QUIT: PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Practice quitting by not smoking during daily activities when you normally would. Build up your resolve for a full quit.

Babies whose mothers smoke while pregnant or who are exposed to secondhand smoke after birth have weaker lungs than other babies, increasing their risk for many health problems.



## Barriers to quitting for Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Individuals:

- Concern about withdrawal symptoms.
- Concern about the ability to cope with negative emotions.
- Concerns about the effects quitting will have on their other SUD recovery.

## Addressing these concerns:

- Explore ways to deal with withdrawal symptoms, (using the patch, gum, lozenges, Chantex, bupropion or Zyban)
- Develop a plan for dealing with negative emotions (exercise, deep breathing, talking to someone about the emotions, etc.).
- Educate and support SUD individuals in their recovery.
   Research shows that many times SUD recovery is more effective & sustainable when not smoking.



If you're a smoker and ready to quit:

- Talk to your doctor
- Contact the NY State
   Smokers' Quitline for help:

1 (866) NY Quits or visit www.nysmokefree.com