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## **Providers Can Help Their Patients By...**

- Asking all patients about their tobacco use (including e-cigarettes, Hooka and JUUL like products).
- Advising that the best thing they can do for their health is to stop their use of all tobacco products.
- Assessing a patient's readiness to quit.
- Assisting by providing approved medications and support when needed.
- Arranging for follow up\*.

\*The New York State Smokers' Quitline offers free resources for tobacco users wanting to quit. Providers can do direct referrals to the quit line. Patients will receive a pro-active phone call from a Quitline councilor. Visit <a href="https://www.nysmokefree.com">www.nysmokefree.com</a> for more information on referral options and free Quitline resources or their toll free phone number: 866-687-8487.

**Tobacco companies** spend billions of dollars each year marketing their deadly products in community stores. By using rigid contracts and substantial payments to stores, tobacco manufacturers ensure that retailers are an outlet for Industry marketing.



Retail marketing drives tobacco use by providing environmental cues to use tobacco. Thus attracting new youth users and triggering impulse purchases by users attempting to quit.

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