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## **Tame Nicotine Cravings**

- Exercise can release endorphins the same way nicotine does. It's a natural way to feel good and let the cravings pass.
- 2. <u>Find a distraction</u> when the cravings hit. Keeping your mind and hands busy will let the urges pass.
- 3. <u>Set up your environment for success</u>. Removing anything that reminds you of smoking such as ash trays & lighters. Washing clothes & cleaning the inside of your home and car will remove odors that can trigger a craving.
- Find other ways to deal with stress.
   (Exercise, call a friend, play relaxing music, work on a hobby etc.)
- 5. <u>Celebrate your successes and keep</u> trying!

New York State Department of Health Announces New Services to Help E-Cigarette Users Quit in Response to Nationwide Outbreak of Vaping-Associated Illnesses.

The NYS Smokers' Quitline Now Offers Nicotine Patches, Gum and Lozenges for Users of E-Cigarettes. Contact the Quitline at:

Toll Free #: 1-866-697-8487

Website: www.nysmokefree.com











The reality is that smoking is not ... a choice. For most smokers, tobacco use is an addiction, and nicotine is the primary drug of choice.



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