TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF HEALTH
TUESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2013 12 NOON
MANSFIELD TOWN HALL, 6 PARK ROW, MANSFIELD, MA

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In the absence of Chairman Thomas Pires, Clerk of the Board of Health Patrick W. Menges called to order a meeting of the Board of Health, with member Dean V. Cronin present also, in the second floor conference room of Mansfield Town hall, 6 Park Row, Mansfield, Massachusetts at Noon on Tuesday, 24 September 2013.

The Board had dinner consisting of deli platter cold cuts sandwiches and bottled water with regional Collaborative Tobacco Control Coordinator Marilyn Edge and tobacco control/public officials of area cities and towns, to discuss tobacco control issues.

A state report on Dighton tobacco consumption and compliance was given to Messers. Menges and Cronin (See Exhibit 1).

The Board was made aware that federal tobacco regulation enforcement agents working for Ms. Edge must be sworn in as Board of Health agents in each town, including Dighton, in order to be able to enforce local board of health tobacco regulations.

The Board adjourned without day at 1:30 PM.

Patrick W. Menges
Clerk of the Board of Selectmen

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Exhibit 1

Community Fact Sheet

Dighton, Massachusetts

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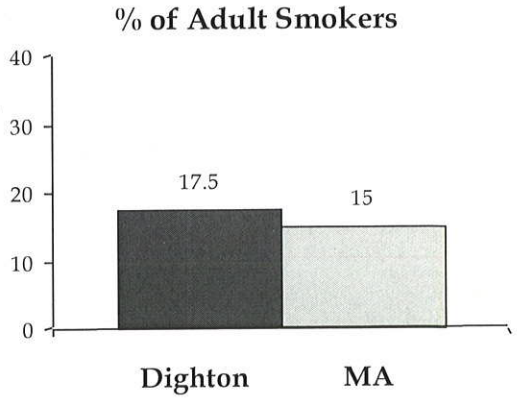
Cigarette Smoking

An estimated 1,181 smokers live in Dighton (17.5% of adults, age 18+).

The adult smoking rate is 17% higher in Dighton than statewide (17.5% in Dighton compared to 15% statewide).

The rate of smoking during pregnancy in Dighton is 7% higher than statewide (7.5% in Dighton compared to 7% statewide).



QuitWorks

From July 2009 to June 2013, 13 smokers enrolled in QuitWorks, a program for clinicians to refer their patients to the Massachusetts Smokers' Helpline. In addition, 36 people from Dighton called and completed an intake with the Massachusetts Smokers' Helpline to quit smoking.

Illegal Tobacco Sales to Minors

The rate of illegal sales to minors (those under age 18) is 80% higher in Dighton (20%) compared to the state of Massachusetts (11.1%) based on date from fiscal years 2012 and 2013.

Health Effects of Smoking

Lung cancer incidence is 20% lower among males in Dighton compared to the state of Massachusetts. The age-adjusted lung cancer incidence (per 100,000) for males is 66.1 in Dighton compared to 83 in Massachusetts.

Lung cancer incidence is 16% lower among females in Dighton compared to the state of Massachusetts. The age-adjusted lung cancer incidence (per 100,000) for females is 54.5 in Dighton compared to 65.2 in Massachusetts.

Mortality from lung cancer is about the same in Dighton compared to Massachusetts.

S.V.C. Chairman

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Data Sources

Smoking figures are small area estimates based on data from the 2009 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Figures on smoking during pregnancy are based on 2006 to 2010 Births (Vital Records), Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

The number of completed screeners from the QuitWorks program and calls to the Massachusetts Smokers' Helpline is based on data collected by the Massachusetts Tobaccco Cessation and Prevention Program from fiscal years 2009 to 2013.

The rate of illegal sales to minors is based on 15 compliance checks performed during fiscal year 2012 and 2013.

Rates of lung cancer incidence are based on age-adjusted rates from 2004 to 2008 Cancer Registry maintained by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Figures on lung cancer mortality are based on comparability modified age-adjusted rates for 2006 to 2010 (Vital Records), Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

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