

Statement

Combatting Tobacco

International Pediatric Association Committee on Environmental Health

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The International Pediatric Association fully endorses and supports the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control since it represents a major step towards protecting child health. The IPA invites the National Pediatric Societies to take action to:

- improve the knowledge of pediatricians and other child health professionals about the health effects of tobacco smoking and of exposure to environmental tobacco smoke in children and adolescents, and to
- (commit to and) advocate for the implementation of the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control with emphasis on actions aimed at protecting children from tobacco from the prenatal period through adolescence.

Reference:

World Health Organization. WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Available at: http://www.who.int/gb/EB_WHA/PDF/WHA56/ea56r1.pdf

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