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Number of Bronze members:  
Number of Silver members:  
Number of GOLD FORUM members: 2

## 2017/18 Network Activities

### Coordinate and Communication

- Representation from the National Acute Hospitals Office and Hospital Groups sought and received on the HSE National Tobacco Free Ireland Steering Group.
- Tobacco Free Ireland Programme Implementation Plan for 2018-2021 published and disseminated. This plan includes a requirement to complete GNTH audit and quality improvement plan development for all hospital and primary care services in Ireland.
- Presentation to hospital senior management to support tobacco free campus implementation.
- Publication of State of Tobacco Control Report and Special Analysis Reports of Irish health related data sets. [State of Tobacco Control in Ireland 2018](#)

### Sharing and Learning Activities

- Tobacco Free Campus workshops (8 total) held in 2017 to troubleshoot implementation in Ireland's Community Healthcare Organisations (mental health, older persons, disability services).
- 1306 health service frontline staff trained in brief interventions for smoking cessation in 2017. To date, 196 staff have been trained in NCSCCT intensive cessation, 70 staff trained in mental health module and 59 staff trained in pregnancy module.
- Tobacco Free online brief intervention training module developed as part of new Making Every Contact Count Programme.
- HSE supported the development of an Irish Health Technology Assessment on effective smoking cessation treatments. Published in April 2017. [HIQA HTA](#)

### Advocate and Collaborate

- The Tobacco Free Ireland Partners held a conference, *Mobilising Communities towards a Tobacco Free Ireland* on World No Tobacco Day (31<sup>st</sup> May) 2018
- Guidance developed for Local Community Development Committees to deliver tobacco free initiatives (e.g. smoke free playgrounds, parks, homes and communities) through government Healthy Ireland funding.
- Commenced project with Irish Prison Services to develop a pilot tobacco free prison setting. HSE supporting through guidance and research. Commenced work with a sporting organisation to develop tobacco free clubs.



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## Activities and Plan for 2018/19

### Coordinate and Communication

- Coordinate, train and up skill local health promotion and improvement practitioners to maximise support for hospitals and primary services to progress and improve tobacco free campus policy implementation.
- Extend Irish cessation services to include new digital support options (e.g. closed Facebook support groups for the general population and pregnant smokers).
- Working with colleagues to identify experiences of other members of communicating and building compliance for tobacco free health service policies with the general public.

### Sharing and Learning Activities

- Tobacco Free online training module to be promoted to and completed by health service staff.
- Clinical Guidelines for the *Identification, Diagnosis and Treatment of Tobacco Addiction* will be developed and shared with the Irish healthcare community in 2019.
- In 2019 we would like to explore the development of an online training module for silver level certification.

### Advocate and Collaborate

- Extend the HSE relationship with all of our partners (both internal and external) in order to progress the Tobacco Free Ireland agenda across all sectors.
- Advocate for targeted smoking cessation services to meet the needs of specific groups in the population.
- Advocate for more visibility for our work on tobacco free health services towards the endgame at FCA level.