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# Tobacco and Alcohol and Its Related Diseases and or Injuries

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#### Message from the Guest Editor

Tobacco in its active and passive forms is a leading cause of death and disability worldwide, and can lead to poor quality of life as it effects almost every part of the body. According to the World Health Organization, tobacco kills more than 8 million people each year. More than 7 million of those deaths are the result of direct tobacco use, while around 1.2 million are the result of non-smokers being exposed to second-hand smoke. More than 80% of the world's. 1.3 billion tobacco users live in low- and middleincome countries. All forms of tobacco: cigarettes, bidis and kreteks, cigars, cigarillos, roll-your-own tobacco, waterpipe tobacco, and various chewing tobacco products (gutkha, betel nut, mishri) are harmful for the body. There are gaps in the knowledge about the potential harmful effects of electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDSs) and electronic non-nicotine delivery systems (ENNDSs), commonly referred to as e-cigarettes, and heated tobacco products (HTPs).







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