# VAPES AN ADDICTION

This traveling exhibition examines what we know about e-cigarettes–the new alternative to smoking.

Vapes: Marketing an Addiction tells three intertwining stories:

- $\cdot$  the rise and fall of cigarette smoking and advertising in the 20th century
- the emergence of the e-cigarette in the 21st century and new marketing strategies
- $\cdot$  the challenges of nicotine addiction and quitting

These stories connect with all of us-our families, our friends, and people in our community.

## The exhibition asks questions to begin a conversation in your community:

Is vaping a "smarter" way to smoke?

When will we know the long-term impact of e-cigarettes?

How can we quit vaping and smoking?

*Vapes: Marketing an Addiction* strives to create a welcoming place to share personal experiences and provides space for visitors to contribute their stories and questions.

Three compact, free-standing modules display examples of vape products and advertisements, videos, photomurals, and an LED-lit infographic that educate visitors about e-cigarettes, marketing by the tobacco industry, and the challenge of addiction.

### **COMPANION EXHIBIT**

*Vapes* is a companion to the traveling exhibition *Better Choose Me: Collecting and Creating with Tobacco Fabric Novelties, 1880-1920* that tells how companies promoted tobacco consumption through the distribution of free collectible novelties.

Prospective hosts are encouraged to collaborate with a hospital, health department, school or community center to display both exhibitions simultaneously in their community. *Vapes* premiered at NMC Health in Newton, Kansas, on May 26, 2021.

### https://kauffmanmuseum.org/better-choose-me/

### **DESIGN AND PRODUCTION**

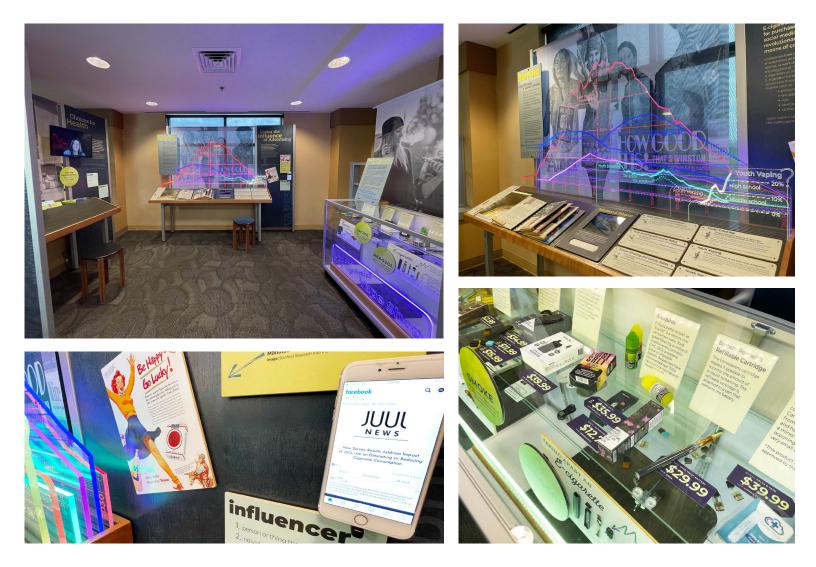
A collaborative team of museum professionals developed *Vapes* at Kauffman Museum. The exhibit is based on Kauffman Museum's 30 years of experience in designing and building award-winning projects with a specific focus on innovative approaches to traveling exhibits.

6 The recent surge in e-cigarette use among youth, which has been fueled by new types of e-cigarettes that have recently entered the market, is a cause for great concern. We must take action now to protect the health of our nation's young people.

Jerome Adams, Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, 2016







**Space Requirements:** 500sq/ft. Sized for a lobby, classroom or small gallery. Combinable with 1,000sq/ft *Better Choose Me* exhibit.

Exhibit Fee: TBD. Email crregier@bethelks.edu or call for more details.

Installation Assistance: One staff person arrives with the exhibit to assist host venue with installation.

**Environment and Security:** Host venue to assure a museum quality exhibit environment, with stable temperature and humidity, appropriate light levels and adequate security.

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