**CEASE Tobacco FAQ:**

1) **Can I prescribe NRT for adults who are not my patient?**

Yes, the AMA “supports efforts by any appropriately licensed health care professional to identify and treat tobacco dependence in any individual, in the various clinical contexts in which they are encountered”. The AAP “advises that all clinicians be familiar with pharmaceutical options for smoking cessation and offer them to parents if needed.” There has never been a legal claim against a physician for prescribing NRT in this fashion.

2) **How can I assure the pharmacy will accept my prescriptions for NRT?**

Review the national CEASE Action Sheet with your local pharmacist. Typically, two separate signature lines at the bottom, with “name brand only” and "substitution permitted" need to be added in SC. You can edit the pdf to add this, as well as your practice name/address, or ask the AAP Richmond Center to edit it for you by contacting Jeremy Drehmer [jdrehmer@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:jdrehmer@mgh.harvard.edu)

3) **Is there a Spanish version of the CEASE Action sheet?**

Yes, Jeremy Drehmer [jdrehmer@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:jdrehmer@mgh.harvard.edu) can provide a Spanish version.

4) **What diagnosis codes should I use?**

**z77.22** can be used for tobacco smoke exposure and **F17.200** for teen smoking. Please discuss this with your coding and billing department.

5) **Which billing codes can I use?**

99214 can be used (ex: URI and smoke exposure) if face-to-face time is “> 25 minutes” and documentation is made that “greater than half of the time spent was counseling or coordination of care". Consider using a smartphrase including the above and brief generic content.

SCDHHS is exploring additional coding to support the CEASE protocol and parent/caregiver tobacco cessation.

6) **How do I order SC CEASE pamphlets, rack cards and posters from DHEC?**

Contact Kymburle Gripper Sims at [grippekd@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:grippekd@dhec.sc.gov) or 803-898-2288. Other cessation materials can be found at <http://www.scdhec.gov/Health/TobaccoCessation/HelpYourPatientsQuit/>

7) **How can I get the** **DHEC Quitline Fax Referral Form:**

<http://www.scdhec.gov/Library/d-1617.pdf>

8) **How do I request educational resources from the AAP Richmond Center?**

The “Bears Don’t Smoke in the Woods” coloring book and “Why It’s Best to Rule it Out and Keep a 100% Smoke-free Home and Car Rule” pamphlets can be requested from Paula Martin at [pmartin@aap.org](mailto:pmartin@aap.org).

9) **How do I learn more about using iPad for tobacco screening and education?**

Contact Jeremy Drehmer at [jdrehmer@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:jdrehmer@mgh.harvard.edu).

**Thank you for joining our statewide pediatric effort to break the cycle of tobacco abuse!**