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**TO:** California Department of Public Health (CDPH), University of California (UC), and the California Department of Education (CDE)

**FROM:** Tobacco Education and Research Oversight Committee (TEROC)

**DATE:** June 13, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Position on Electronic-Cigarettes (e-cigarettes)

The Tobacco Education and Research Oversight Committee (TEROC) is a legislatively mandated oversight committee (California Health and Safety Code Sections 104365-104370) that monitors the use of Proposition (Prop) 99 tobacco tax revenues for tobacco control, prevention education and tobacco-related research in California. TEROC advises the CDPH, the UC, and the CDE with respect to: policy development, tobacco control and prevention integration, evaluation of tobacco education programs (funded by Prop 99), and is responsible for the development of a master plan for the future implementation of tobacco control.

TEROC conducted a meeting on May 22, 2013 where the Committee deliberated, voted upon, and adopted an official position regarding e-cigarettes:

***The Tobacco Education and Research Oversight Committee (TEROC) opposes the use of e-cigarettes in all areas where other tobacco products are banned.***

If you have questions regarding this subject, please contact Michael Ong, M.D., Ph.D., Chairperson at [MOng@Mednet.ucla.edu](mailto:MOng@Mednet.ucla.edu).