

<b>TULARE COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD, INC.</b>  <b>WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT TITLE I-B ACTIVITIES</b> <b>WELFARE-TO-WORK GRANT ACTIVITIES</b> <b>OTHER FUNDING SOURCE ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>DATE:</b> <b>January 3, 2004</b>
	<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>Smoking Restrictions</b>

**TCWIB DIRECTIVE**

**TCWIBD-03-4**

**TO:** Tulare County Workforce Investment Department Facilities Staff and Users

**SUBJECT:** New Smoking Area Restrictions (more to come)

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

**Purpose:**

Assembly Bill (AB) 846 was enacted to further protect Californians from secondhand smoke exposure. Secondhand smoke is known to cause deaths from lung cancer and heart disease. Secondhand smoke has been responsible for asthma, eye irritations and respiratory problems in nonsmokers.

**Scope:**

This legislation applies to all public facilities in California.

**Effective Date:**

Legislation was effective January 1, 2004. This directive is effective upon release.

**REFERENCES:**

Assembly Bill (AB) 846

**FILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Retain this directive until further notice.

**BACKGROUND:**

Prior to AB 846, smoking was restricted, un-allowed within 5 feet from public facility entrances. This bill increases the distance and includes entrances, exits, and windows.

**POLICY AND PROCEDURES:**

- A. **POLICY:** Smoking is prohibited within 20 feet of TCWIB owned, leased or rented building entrances, exits and operable windows. Smoking will be allowed only in posted designated areas.
- B. **ACTION:** Effective immediately, all Tulare County Workforce Investment Board, Inc. (TCWIB) facilities will enforce smoking restrictions as set forth in this policy and required in AB 846. Further instructions will be provided as the County’s Action Plan for this law is implemented.

Bring this directive to the attention of all affected staff and all TCWIB partners and contractors.

**INQUIRIES:**

Please direct inquiries about this directive to the Tulare County Workforce Investment Department at (559) 713-5200 or 1-800-367-8742.

**JOSEPH H. DANIEL**

**Administrator**

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Attachment(s):TCWIB Memo

Department of Health Services Memo

AB 846 Fact Sheet

Chapter 342 of AB 846

Tobacco Control, Agency Contacts