

Information for Courts

Texas Youth Tobacco Awareness Program (TYTAP)



What is TYTAP?

The Texas Youth Tobacco Awareness Program (TYTAP), established in Texas Statute, Texas Health & Safety Code Sec. 161.253, provides classes about the dangers of using tobacco and how to quit for youth that were cited for having or using tobacco.

- Developed by Texas A&M, the program is funded by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) – Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch.

- The program is a 8-hour course taught by an active State of Texas TYTAP licensed instructor during a two-week period, either in-person or virtual, as designated by the instructor. Each individual licensed TYTAP instructor decides the cost, format (in-person or virtual), and schedule for TYTAP classes.
- Participants receive an official Certificate of Completion signed by the DSHS licensed TYTAP instructor as proof the course was successfully completed.
- Online TYTAP classes are not valid unless the instructor is licensed by DSHS. The court should not accept a Certificate of Completion from an uncertified organization, instructor, or website.

Please email questions to Tobacco.Free@dshs.texas.gov.

Where can I find information about classes near me?

Additional Information

Learn more about TYTAP and resources to help youth in your community quit tobacco use at:

dshs.texas.gov/tobacco



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