New York State Smokers' Quitline

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HOW TO STOP: CHEW OR SNUFF TOBACCO USE



Tips to Stop Using Smokeless Tobacco...

- ▶ Think of reasons why you want to quit such as:
 - You don't want to get cancer
 - People around you find it offensive
 - You don't like having bad breath after chewing or dipping
 - You don't want stained teeth or you don't want to loose your teeth
 - You don't like being addicted to nicotine
 - You want to start leading a healthier life
- ▶ Pick a quit date and throw out all of your chewing tobacco and snuff
 - Tell yourself everyday that you are going to stop. Say it out loud.
- Ask friends, family, teachers and/or coaches to help you kick the habit by giving you support and encouragement.
 - Ask friends not to offer you chew or snuff
 - Ask a friend to stop with you
- Ask your doctor or dentist about using nicotine chewing gum to help you quit.
- Find something other than chew when you have a craving such as:
 - Sugarless Gum
 - Pumpkin or Sunflower Seeds
 - Apple slices
 - Raisins
 - Dried Fruit
 - Etc.
- Find activities to keep your mind off of chew or snuff such as:
 - Ride a bike
 - Take a walk
 - Write a letter or send an email to a friend
 - Work on a hobby
 - Listen to music
 - Exercise
- ▶ Remember that everyone is different. Develop a plan that works best for YOU.
 - Set realistic goals and achieve them
- Reward yourself
 - Use the money you save by not using chew or other tobacco products and buy something nice for yourself.



If you need help to stop using smokeless tobacco, call us. Remember, <u>you can do this</u>. Good Luck!

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