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B1. TOBACCO CONSUMPTION

Prevalence of tobacco use

Smoking prevalence in the adult population (all)

(Please provide prevalence data for total adult population, and identify the age considered, e.g. 15 years old and over, 18-64 years; see B112)

Current smokers

	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)	Average number of the most-consumed smoking tobacco product used per day
MALE	49.7	
FEMALE	17.0	
TOTAL (males and females)	31.6	

Daily smokers

	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)	Average number of the most-consumed smoking tobacco product used per day
MALE	39.8	
FEMALE	25.4	
TOTAL (males and females)	35.4	

Occasional smokers

	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)
MALE	29.3
FEMALE	21.4
TOTAL (males and females)	26.9

Former smokers

	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)
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Never smokers

	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)
MALE	30.9
FEMALE	53.1
TOTAL (males and females)	37.6

Please indicate the smoking tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question B11:

All manufactured cigarettes

Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question B11 refer:

	From	To
Age range	12	98

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B11:

2012

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B11:

National Outcome Measure Survey

Please provide the definitions of “current smoker”, “daily smoker”, “occasional smoker”, “former smoker” and “never smoker” used in this report.

Current smoker	those smokers currently smoke
Daily smoker	those that are found to be smoking
Occasional smoker	those not current or daily smokers
Former smoker	use to be smoking
Never smoker	never smoked/ever

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in smoking prevalence in the adult population in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Currently completed survey(STEPS for Pohnpei State) showed reduced consumption

Smoking prevalence in the adult population (by age groups)

(If data are available, please provide prevalence data by age group, and identify the age group considered, preferably by 10-year categories, e.g. 25-34, 35-44 years)

	Range - start age	Range - end age	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)
MALES - current smokers ¹	25	34	39
MALES - current smokers ¹	35	44	45
MALES - current smokers ¹	45	54	40
MALES - current smokers ¹	55	64	31
MALES - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
MALES - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
MALES - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
MALES - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	25	34	10
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	35	44	17
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	45	54	19
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	55	64	18
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	25	34	29
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	35	44	34
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	45	54	32
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	55	64	25

TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	0	0	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	0	0	0

Please indicate the smoking tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question B12:

All manufactured cigarettes

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B12:

2015

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B12:

FSM Combined STEPS Report

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in current smoking prevalence by age group in the past two years or since submission of your last report, if data are available.

Trend for some states showed reduction

Prevalence of smokeless tobacco use in the adult population (all)

(Please provide prevalence data for total adult population, and identify the age considered in B132, e.g. 15 years old and over, 18–64 years; see B132)

Males

Prevalence (%)
(please include all smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)

Current users	28.3
Daily users	20.8
Occasional users	34.2

Females

Prevalence (%)
(please include all smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)

Current users	10.2
Daily users	28.2
Occasional users	23.1

TOTAL (males and females)

Prevalence (%)
(please include all smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)

Current users	18.3
Daily users	23.1
Occasional users	30.7

Please indicate the smokeless tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question B13:

All manufactured cigarettes chewed with betel nuts; data includes the use of other tobacco products (snuff, dip, etc)

Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question B13 refer:

	From	To
Age range	12	94

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B13:

2012

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B13:

National Outcome Measures Survey(NOMS)

Please provide the definitions of “current user”, “daily user”, “occasional user”, “former user” and “never user” (of smokeless tobacco products) used in this report in the space below.

Current user	those tobacco users currently chewing, snuff tobacco product
Daily user	those that found to be user as chewing and snuffing to tobacco products
Occasional user	those not current or daily users
Former user	use to chew, snuff tobacco products
Never user	never used/ever

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in smokeless tobacco use in the adult population in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The trend for smokeless tobacco use by adult could not be determined, not enough data. STEPS is conducted one state at a time, after five years.

Prevalence of smokeless tobacco use in the adult population (current users) by age group (by age groups)

(If data are available, please provide prevalence data by age group, and identify the age group considered, preferably by 10-year categories, e.g. 25-34, 35-44 years)

	Range - start age	Range - end age	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)
MALES - current smokers ²	25	34	23
MALES - current smokers ²	35	44	27
MALES - current smokers ²	45	54	20
MALES - current smokers ²	55	64	32
MALES - current smokers ²	0	0	0
MALES - current smokers ²	0	0	0
MALES - current smokers ²	0	0	0
MALES - current smokers ²	0	0	0
FEMALES - current smokers ²	25	34	29
FEMALES - current smokers ²	35	44	36
FEMALES - current smokers ²	45	54	40
FEMALES - current smokers ²	55	64	55
FEMALES - current smokers ²	0	0	0
FEMALES - current smokers ²	0	0	0
FEMALES - current smokers ²	0	0	0
FEMALES - current smokers ²	0	0	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	25	34	24
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	35	44	30
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	45	54	24

TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	55	64	38
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	0	0	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	0	0	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	0	0	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	0	0	0

Please indicate the smokeless tobacco products included in the answer to question B14:

All manufactured cigarettes chewed with betel nuts. data includes the use of other tobacco products (dip, snuff, etc)

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B14:

2012

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B14:

National Outcome Survey (NOMS)

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in current use of smokeless tobacco by adult age groups in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Not enough data to determine the trend.

Tobacco use by ethnic group(s)

(please include all smoking or smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)

Ethnic group(s)	MALES - Prevalence (%)	FEMALES - Prevalence (%)	TOTAL (males and females) - Prevalence (%)

Please indicate the tobacco products included in the answer to question B15:

NA

Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question B15 refer:

	From	To
Age range	0	0

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B15:

2004

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B15:

NA

Tobacco use by young persons

(please include all smoking or smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)

	Age range	SMOKING TOBACCO - Prevalence (%)	SMOKELESS TOBACCO - Prevalence (%)	WATER PIPE - Prevalence (%)
BOYS - Current users ⁴	13-15	43.0	26.4	
GIRLS - Current users ⁴	13-15	24.4	21.7	
TOTAL (boys and girls) - Current users ⁴	13-15	33.0	23.8	

Please indicate the tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question B16:

All manufactured cigarettes chewed with betel nuts

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B16:

2013

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B16:

Global Youth Tobacco Survey

Please provide the definition of "current smoking/tobacco use" used to answer question B16 in the space below.

those smokers currently smoking

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in tobacco use by young persons in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Youth smoking in FSM is showing a downward trend for girls and an increase of .7 percent for boys based on the current cigarette smoking in 2007 and 2013 GYTS.

Other surveys (Kosrae High School Rapid Survey) show a decreasing trend in tobacco use among target population

Please attach the relevant documentation.

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Use of novel and emerging tobacco and nicotine products

Age range	Heated tobacco products (HTPs) - Prevalence (%)	Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS) - Prevalence (%)	Electronic Non-Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENNDS) - Prevalence (%)	Other products - Prevalence (%)
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B2-B9. HEALTH, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Exposure to tobacco smoke

Do you have any data on exposure to tobacco smoke in your population?

Yes ✓

Please provide details in the space below (e.g. exposure by gender, at home, in the workplace, on public transport).

Exposure by youth at home

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B21:

2013

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B21:

Global Youth Tobacco Survey

Please attach the relevant documentation.

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Tobacco-related mortality

Do you have information on tobacco-related mortality in your population?

Yes ✓

What is the estimated total number of deaths attributable to tobacco use in your population?

303

If available, please provide any additional information on mortality attributable to tobacco use (e.g. lung cancer, cardiovascular diseases) in your jurisdiction.

the number above is taken from the FSM HIS 2018 NCD Morbidity Report.

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B32 and 33:

2018

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions B32 and B33:

FSM Health Information System

Please submit a copy of the study you refer to:

Tobacco-related costs

Do you have information on the economic burden of tobacco use in your population, e.g. the overall cost of tobacco use imposed on your society?

Yes ✓

Please provide details (e.g. direct (health care-related) and indirect costs and, if possible, the method used to estimate these costs).

Chronic Diseases (which tobacco is a risk factor) account for a majority of the FSM MiCare Health Referral expenses; \$2,958,216 in 2017

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B42:

2010

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B42:

MiCare Insurance Quarterly/Annual Report

Please submit a copy of the study you refer to:

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Supply of tobacco and tobacco products

(with reference to Articles 6.2(b), 20.4(c), and 15.5)

Licit supply of tobacco products

	Product	Unit (e.g. pieces, tonnes)	Domestic production	Retail sales	Exports	Imports
Smoking tobacco products	cigarettes	20 pieces		3.25		.90/20pc
Smoking tobacco products	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Smoking tobacco products	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Smoking tobacco products	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Smoking tobacco products	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Smoking tobacco products	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Smokeless tobacco products	chewing tobacco	1.2oz	NA	4.95	NA	.50

Please provide information on the volumes of duty-free sales (e.g. product, unit, quantity), if available.

duty-free sales - \$1,185,627.90 (2017)

2019 Report - imported cigarettes (CIF - \$2,438,553; DUTY - \$2,513,188)

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B51 and 52:

2019

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions B51 and B52:

FSM Tax & Revenue Annual/Quarter Report

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Seizures of illicit tobacco products

(with reference to Article 15.5)

Seizures of illicit tobacco

	Year	Product	Unit (e.g. pieces, tonnes)	Quantity seized
Smoking tobacco products	NA	NA	NA	NA

Do you have any information on the percentage of illicit tobacco products on the national tobacco market?

No ✘

Please provide any further information on illicit tobacco products.

NA

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions in section B6:

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Tobacco-growing

Is there any tobacco-growing in your jurisdiction?

No ✘

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer questions in section B7:

2019

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions in section B7:

FSM Department of R&D (Agriculture)

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Taxation of tobacco products

(with reference to Articles 6.2(a) and 6.3)

What proportion of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of taxes (e.g. sum of excise, sales and import duties (if applicable) and value added tax/goods and services tax (VAT/GST))?

How are the excise taxes levied (what types of taxes are levied)?

- Specific tax only
- Ad valorem tax only
- Combination of specific and ad valorem taxes Yes
- More complex structure (please explain below)
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If available, please provide details on the rates of taxation for tobacco products at all levels of Government and be as specific as possible (specify the type of tax, e.g. VAT, sales, import duties)

	Product	Type of tax	Rate or amount	Base of tax⁵
Smoking tobacco products	Cigarettes	import	\$.050	\$.90/20cigarettes
Smokeless tobacco products	Copenhagen	ad valorem	50%	\$4.95/1.2oz net WT

Please briefly describe the trends in taxation for tobacco products in the past two years or since submission of your last report in your jurisdiction.

Importation is increased every other 2 years at .005 until 2017.

Do you earmark any percentage of your taxation income for funding any national plan or strategy on tobacco control in your jurisdiction?

No ✘

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer questions B81 to B86:

2019

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions B81 to B86:

FSM Tax and Revenue

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Price of tobacco products

(with reference to Articles 6.2(a))

Domestic

Please provide the retail prices of the three most widely sold brands of domestic tobacco products at the most widely used point of sale in your capital city.

	Name of the most widely sold brands	Number of units or amount per package	Retail price	Currency
Smoking tobacco products	NA	NA	NA	NA

Imported

Please provide the retail prices of the three most widely sold brands of imported tobacco products at the most widely used point of sale in your capital city.

	Name of the most widely sold brands	Number of units or amount per package	Retail price	Currency
Smoking tobacco products	Doral		\$3.25	USD
Smoking tobacco products	USA		\$3.50	USD
Smoking tobacco products	Marlboro		\$3.45	USD

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B91:

2019

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B91:

Tax and Revenue report

Please briefly describe the trend in the prices of tobacco products in the past two years or since submission of your last report in your jurisdiction.

Prices of tobacco should increased by .005 from 2015 to 2017

Please attach the relevant documentation.

C1. GENERAL OBLIGATIONS

With reference to Article 5

Have you developed and implemented comprehensive multisectoral national tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes in accordance with the Convention?

Yes ✓

Have you established or reinforced and financed:

a focal point for tobacco control?	Yes
a tobacco control unit?	Yes
a national coordinating mechanism for tobacco control?	Yes

Please provide details (e.g. the nature of the national coordinating mechanism, the institution to which the focal point for tobacco control or the tobacco control unit belongs).

The National Tobacco Control Program is a program health unit under the Department of Health & Social Affairs and its major function is to oversee the program actions against tobacco use. The National Coordinating mechanism is an Advisory Body that functions included the Terms of References established and designated by the Presidents Office. The body is composed on the Department of Foreign Affairs, Finance (Tax & Revenue) Resources and Development (Labor, Agriculture, Investment) Education, Office of Environment, Justice, Health. This Body reports directly to the President and its Secretariat is the Tobacco Control Program.

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 5.1 and 5.2 (*General obligations*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The Tobacco Control Advisory Council is the FSM version of the National Coordinating Mechanism. Its roles and responsibilities are included in the Terms of Reference created by the President of FSM. The Advisory was established in August 2014 and consisted of 7 members representing different agencies of the Government. The Advisory members were instrumental in the recommendations toward the Packaging and Labeling Bill, Tobacco Control Bill, Tax Increase Bill and other tobacco related issues such as the control of using and selling areca nuts. The costs of its operation is jointly supported by each agencies.

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

NA

Protection of public health policies with respect to tobacco control from commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

protecting public health policies with respect to tobacco control from commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry?

Yes ✓

ensuring that the public has access, in accordance with Article 12(c), to a wide range of information on tobacco industry activities relevant to the objectives of the Convention, such as in a public repository?

No ✗

If you answered "Yes" to any of the questions under C121 or C122, please provide details in the space below (specifically, please refer, if relevant, to whether your government or any of its departments 1) have raised awareness on tobacco industry tactics and the need to prevent interference by the tobacco industry with decision making; 2) have avoided entering into any partnerships or voluntary agreements with the tobacco industry; 3) have established any measures to limit interaction of public officials with the tobacco industry, including in the form of a code of conduct; 4) have not granted any incentives, privileges, benefits or preferential tax exemptions to the tobacco industry to establish or run their business; etc.).

Protecting of public health policies are included in the code of conduct for the government employees and leaders working of the government especially the health employees. There is an attempt to post information on tobacco industry activities in the health webpage for general public use.

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 5.3 in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Same as last submission

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 5.3 of the WHO FCTC” when developing or implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Partially using the Guidelines for this article. The FSM has a draft National Bill with provisions addressing Article 5.3. (Family Safety Against Smoking and Tobacco Bill)

Please attach the relevant documentation.

C2. MEASURES RELATING TO THE REDUCTION OF DEMAND FOR TOBACCO

With reference to Articles 6–14

Price and tax measures to reduce the demand for tobacco

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

tax policies and, where appropriate, price policies on tobacco products so as to contribute to the health objectives aimed at reducing tobacco consumption?

Yes ✔

prohibiting or restricting, as appropriate, sales to international travellers of tax- and duty-free tobacco products?

Yes ✔

prohibiting or restricting, as appropriate, imports by international travellers of tax- and duty-free tobacco products?

Yes ✔

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 6 (*Price and tax measures to reduce the demand for tobacco*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Federated States of Micronesia with its four states have different tobacco sales tax and some of the states had increased the tobacco tax. FSM currently also has a draft policy on further increasing tobacco tax among other provisions (FSM Healthy Trade Bill)

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 6 of the WHO FCTC” when developing or implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Although we response "NO" to C215 above, some states used the guidelines for this article.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

banning tobacco smoking in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places ?

Yes ✔

What is the type/nature of the measure providing for the ban?

national law	Yes
subnational law(s)	Yes
administrative and executive orders	Yes
voluntary agreements	Yes
other measures (please specify in C223 below)	

Please provide a brief explanation of the type/nature and content of the measures providing for the ban.

The law is varies at the four states of FSM (e.g at the National Level it is banned to smoke within 150 feet from government workplaces, at the state of Pohnpei and Kosrae it is 25ft, Yap and Chuuk is 50ft.

Do any of these measures provide for a mechanism/ infrastructure for enforcement?

Yes ✓

Please provide details of this system.

The enforcement of the laws are carried out by the National Police and the State Public Safety which included the posting of signage.

Pohnpei is in the final stages of rolling out the implementation of their citation forms.

Please specify the settings and extent/comprehensiveness of measures applied in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places.

Indoor workplaces:

government buildings	Complete
health-care facilities	Complete
educational facilities ⁶	Complete
universities	Partial
private workplaces	Partial
other (please specify below)	Complete

Please provide a brief explanation of any "other" policies in the space below

Cultural facilities are banning of smoking and chewing betel nut. The policy is a declaration made by the high chief of the community. This is applicable to 2 of the states in FSM (Chuuk & Pohnpei).

Please specify the settings and extent/comprehensiveness of measures applied in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places.

Public transport:

airplanes	Complete
trains	None
ferries	None
ground public transport (buses, trolleybuses, trams)	Partial
motor vehicles used as places of work (taxis, ambulances, delivery vehicles)	Partial
private vehicles	Partial
other (please specify below)	

Please specify the settings and extent/comprehensiveness of measures applied in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places.

Indoor public places:

cultural facilities	Complete
shopping malls	Complete
pubs and bars	Partial
nightclubs	Partial
restaurants	Complete
other (please specify below)	

Please provide a brief summary of complete and partial measures, with specific details of the partial measures that have been implemented:

Banning tobacco smoking in indoor workplaces

The complete ban on smoking in indoor places are mostly the government places. Partial measures are the private restaurants that have partial open walls and ceilings.

Banning tobacco smoking in public transport

Banning of smoking in public and private transportations are true for some of the states in FSM.

Banning tobacco smoking in indoor public places

Some states have indoor public places laws that banning smoking.

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 8 (*Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

There is an increase in the awareness of smokefree places and the increase of voluntary community public places that banned smoking

Have you utilized the "Guidelines for implementation of Article 8 of the WHO FCTC" when developing or implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✓

If you answered "Yes" to question C229 please provide details in the space below or refer to section B of the additional questionnaire available at this link. Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is **voluntary**. <https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=yaarmx4fkwzdjg4&lang=en> (<https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=yaarmx4fkwzdjg4&lang=en>)

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Pohnpei State is the first of the four FSM states that has a Betelnut Law

Please attach the relevant documentation.

No comment

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Regulation of the contents of tobacco products

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

testing and measuring the contents of tobacco products?

No ✘

testing and measuring the emissions of tobacco products?

No ✘

regulating the contents of tobacco products?

No ✘

regulating the emissions of tobacco products?

No ✘

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 9 (*Regulation of the contents of tobacco products*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The proposed bill for tobacco control will need to be resubmitted for review for action by congress of FSM

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of the WHO FCTC” when developing or implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✔

If you answered “Yes” to question C236 please provide details in the space below or refer to section C of the additional questionnaire available at this link. Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is **voluntary**. <https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=yaarmx4fkwzdjg4&lang=en> (<https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=yaarmx4fkwzdjg4&lang=en>)

The new proposed bill has included measures and mechanisms to ensure adherence to the guidelines. proposed bill with require importers/distributors to provide content disclosures

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below (e.g., whether your country 1) has incorporated product regulation in the national tobacco control legislation; 2) has access to either governmental or independent – not owned or controlled by the tobacco industry – laboratories for testing contents and/or emissions of tobacco products; 3) has regulated ingredients, such as flavours (e.g. menthol); 4) has regulated product characteristics, such as design features (e.g., cigarette ventilation); etc.).

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Regulation of tobacco product disclosures

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

requiring manufacturers or importers of tobacco products to disclose to Government authorities information about the:

contents of tobacco products? No
emissions of tobacco products? No

requiring public disclosure of information about the:

contents of tobacco products? No
emissions of tobacco products? No

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 10 (*Regulation of tobacco product disclosures*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

measures are still in draft bill form awaiting submission and review by FSM Congress

Have you utilized the "Guidelines for implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of the WHO FCTC" when developing or implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below (e.g. whether your country has incorporated tobacco product disclosures in the national tobacco control legislation; has regulated the public disclosure of toxic constituents and emissions of tobacco products, aiming to raise public awareness and advance tobacco control policy; etc.).

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Packaging and labelling of tobacco products

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

requiring that packaging, individual cigarettes or other tobacco products do not carry advertising or promotion?

No ✘

requiring that packaging and labelling do not promote a product by any means that are false, misleading, deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression about its characteristics, health effects, hazards or emissions?

No

requiring that each unit packet and package of tobacco products and any outside packaging and labelling of such products carry health warnings describing the harmful effects of tobacco use?

No

ensuring that the health warnings are approved by the competent national authority?

No

ensuring that the health warnings are rotated?

No

ensuring that the health warnings are clear, visible and legible?

No

ensuring that the health warnings occupy no less than 30% of the principal display areas?

No

ensuring that the health warnings occupy 50% or more of the principal display areas?

No

ensuring that health warnings are in the form of, or include, pictures or pictograms?

No

requiring that each unit packet and package of tobacco products and any outside packaging and labelling of such products contain information on relevant:

constituents of tobacco products? No

emissions of tobacco products? No

requiring that the warnings and other textual information appear on each unit packet and package and on any outside packaging and labelling in the principal language or languages of the country?

No

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 11 (*Packaging and labelling of tobacco products*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

A bill on Packaging and labeling of tobacco products will be submitted to congress in their next session (September 2017)

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 11 of the WHO FCTC” when developing or implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to or not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Education, communication, training and public awareness

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

educational and public awareness programmes? (*Please refer to programmes implemented since submission of your two-year report.*)

Yes ✔

To whom are these programmes targeted?

- adults or the general public
 - children and young people
 - men
 - women
 - pregnant women
 - ethnic groups
 - other (please specify)
 - Other
-

Do you reflect the following key differences among targeted population groups in educational and public awareness programmes?

- age
 - gender
 - educational background
 - cultural background
 - socioeconomic status
 - other (please specify)
 - Other
-

Do these educational and public awareness programmes cover:

- health risks of tobacco consumption?
- health risks of exposure to tobacco smoke?
- benefits of the cessation of tobacco use and tobacco-free lifestyles?
- adverse economic consequences of tobacco production?
- adverse economic consequences of tobacco consumption?
- adverse environmental consequences of tobacco production?
- adverse environmental consequences of tobacco consumption?

awareness and participation of the following agencies and organizations in development and implementation of intersectoral programmes and strategies for tobacco control:

- public agencies?
- nongovernmental organizations not affiliated with the tobacco industry?
- private organizations?
- other (please specify)?
- Other

Are the elaboration, management and implementation of communication, education, training and public awareness programmes guided by research and do they undergo pre-testing, monitoring and evaluation?

No ✘

Are appropriate and special training or sensitization and awareness programmes on tobacco control addressed to:

- health workers?
- community workers?
- social workers?
- media professionals?
- educators?
- decision-makers?
- administrators?
- other (please specify)
- Faith leaders, traditional leaders
- Other

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 12 (*Education, communication, training and public awareness*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Educational awareness to the general public is a yearly activity of the program. Schools curriculums are mandatory to include the danger of tobacco use.

Have you utilized the "Guidelines for implementation of Article 12 of the WHO FCTC" when developing and implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

The guidelines of Article 12 is partially used by some of the states in FSM.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, any legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes:

instituting a comprehensive ban on all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?

Yes ✔

Does your ban cover:

- display and visibility of tobacco products at points of sales?
the domestic Internet?
the global Internet?
- brand stretching and/or brand sharing?
- product placement as a means of advertising or promotion?
the depiction of tobacco or tobacco use in entertainment
media products?
- tobacco sponsorship of international events or activities
and/or participants therein?
- contributions from tobacco companies to any other entity
for “socially responsible causes” and/or any other activities
implemented under the umbrella of “corporate social
responsibility” by the tobacco industry?
cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship
originating from your territory?
the same forms of cross-border advertising, promotion and
sponsorship entering your territory for which domestic
regulation apply?

cooperating with other Parties in the development of technologies and other means necessary to facilitate the elimination of cross-border advertising?

No ✘

imposing penalties for cross-border advertising equal to those applicable to domestic advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from your territory in accordance with national law?

No ✘

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 13 (*Tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

NA

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 13 of the WHO FCTC” when developing and implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

developing and disseminating appropriate, comprehensive and integrated guidelines based on scientific evidence and best practices?

Yes ✓

programmes to promote cessation of tobacco use, including:

- media campaigns emphasizing the importance of quitting?
- programmes specially designed for underage girls and young women?
- programmes specially designed for women?
- programmes specially designed for pregnant women?
- telephone quitlines?
- local events, such as activities related to World No Tobacco Day or National No Smoking Day, if appropriate?
- other (please specify)?

Appreciation Day Other

design and implementation of programmes aimed at promoting the cessation of tobacco use, in such locations as:

- educational institutions?
- health-care facilities?
- workplaces?
- sporting environments?
- other (please specify)?

Jails, Mental Health Unit Other

inclusion of diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence and counselling services for cessation of tobacco use in national programmes, plans and strategies for:

- tobacco control?
 - health?
 - education?
-

inclusion of programmes on the diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence in your health-care system?

Yes ✓

Which structures in your health-care system provide programmes for the diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence?

- primary health care
- secondary and tertiary health care
- specialist health-care systems (please specify below)
- specialized centres for cessation counselling and treatment of tobacco dependence
- rehabilitation centres
- Other

Are the services provided in these settings covered by public funding or reimbursement schemes?

primary health care	Fully
secondary and tertiary health care	Fully
specialist health-care systems (please specify below)	Fully
specialized centres for cessation counselling and treatment of tobacco dependence	None
rehabilitation centres	Fully
other (please specify below)	

Which health and other professionals are involved in programmes offering treatment for tobacco dependence and counselling services?

Health professionals including:

- physicians
- dentists
- family doctors
- practitioners of traditional medicine
- other medical professionals (please specify below)
- nurses
- midwives
- pharmacists
- Community workers
- Social workers
- other (please specify)
- Other

training on tobacco dependence treatment incorporated into the curricula of health professional training at pre- and post-qualification levels at the following schools:

- medical?
- dental?
- nursing?
- pharmacy?
- Other

facilitating accessibility and/or affordability of pharmaceutical products for the treatment of tobacco dependence?

Yes ✓

Where and how can these products be legally purchased in your country?

From the hospital and private clinics and pharmacies

Which pharmaceutical products are legally available for the treatment of tobacco dependence in your jurisdiction?

- nicotine replacement therapy
- bupropion
- varenicline
- other (please specify)
- Other

Are the costs of these products covered by public funding or reimbursement?

nicotine replacement therapy	None
bupropion	None
varenicline	None
other (please specify below)	None

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 14 (*Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Planning of a comprehensive Cessation Package for the users is still underway.

Have you utilized the "Guidelines for implementation of Article 14 of the WHO FCTC" when developing and implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Cessation program for FSM is partially conducted traditionally (using the faith-based) therefore it will be different in nature on its implementation .

A Brief Tobacco Intervention Activity is still in its initial stages to be rolled out in all 4 states.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

C3. MEASURES RELATING TO THE REDUCTION OF THE SUPPLY OF TOBACCO

With reference to Articles 15–17

Illicit trade in tobacco products

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

requiring marking of all unit packets and packages of tobacco products and any outside packaging of such products to assist in determining the origin of the product?

No

requiring marking of all unit packets and packages of tobacco products and any outside packaging of such products to assist in determining whether the product is legally sold on the domestic market?

No

requiring that unit packets and packages of tobacco products for retail and wholesale use that are sold on the domestic market carry the statement: "Sales only allowed in ..." or carry any other effective marking indicating the final destination of the product?

No

developing a practical tracking and tracing regime that would further secure the distribution system and assist in the investigation of illicit trade?

No

requiring that marking is presented in legible form and/or appears in the principal language or languages of the country?

No

requiring the monitoring and collection of data on cross-border trade in tobacco products, including illicit trade?

No

facilitating the exchange of this information among customs, tax and other authorities, as appropriate, and in accordance with national law and applicable bilateral and multilateral agreements?

No

enacting or strengthening legislation, with appropriate penalties and remedies, against illicit trade in tobacco products, including counterfeit and contraband cigarettes?

No

requiring that confiscated manufacturing equipment, counterfeit and contraband cigarettes and other tobacco products derived from illicit trade are destroyed, using environment-friendly methods where possible, or disposed of in accordance with national law?

No

adopting and implementing measures to monitor, document and control the storage and distribution of tobacco products held or moving under suspension of taxes or duties?

No

enabling the confiscation of proceeds derived from illicit trade in tobacco products?

No

promoting cooperation between national agencies and relevant regional and international intergovernmental organizations in investigations, prosecutions and proceedings, with a view to eliminating illicit trade in tobacco products, with special emphasis on cooperation at regional and subregional levels?

No

licensing or other actions to control or regulate production and distribution in order to prevent illicit trade?

No

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 15 (*Illicit trade in tobacco products*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

FSM has not signed the Protocol

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Sales to and by minors

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

prohibiting the sales of tobacco products to minors?

Yes ✓

Please specify the legal age:

18

requiring that all sellers of tobacco products place a clear and prominent indicator inside their point of sale about the prohibition of tobacco sales to minors?

Yes ✓

requiring that, in case of doubt, each seller of tobacco products requests that the purchaser provides appropriate evidence of having reached full legal age?

Yes ✓

banning the sale of tobacco products in any manner by which they are directly accessible, such as open store shelves?

Yes ✓

prohibiting the manufacture and sale of sweets, snacks, toys or any other objects in the form of tobacco products which appeal to minors?

No ✗

prohibiting the sale of tobacco products from vending machines?

Yes ✓

prohibiting and/or promoting the prohibition of the distribution of free tobacco products:

to the public?

to minors?

prohibiting the sale of cigarettes individually or in small packets?

Yes ✓

providing for penalties against sellers and distributors in order to ensure compliance?

Yes ✓

prohibiting the sales of tobacco products by minors?

Yes ✓

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 16 (*Sales to and by minors*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Compliance check to Article 16 is conducted twice a year throughout the four states in FSM (SYNAR)

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Provision of support for economically viable alternative activities

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, measures or programmes on any of the following:

promoting economically viable and sustainable alternatives for:

tobacco growers?	No
tobacco workers?	No
tobacco individual sellers?	No

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 17 (*Provision of support for economically viable alternative activities*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

NA

Have you utilized the "Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing (in relation to Articles 17 and 18 of the WHO FCTC)" when developing and implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

C4. OTHER MEASURES AND POLICIES

With reference to Articles 18–21

Protection of the environment and the health of persons

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

implementing measures in respect of tobacco cultivation within your territory, which take into consideration:

the protection of the environment?	No
the health of persons in relation to the environment?	No

implementing measures in respect of tobacco manufacturing within your territory, which take into consideration:

the protection of the environment?	Not applicable
the health of persons in relation to the environment?	Not applicable

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 18 (*Protection of the environment and the health of persons*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

There is cultivation of tobacco leaf but is still very small in amounts and therefore it is not considered at this stage.

Have you utilized the “Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing (in relation to Articles 17 and 18 of the WHO FCTC)” when developing and implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Liability

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

Does your tobacco control legislation contain measures regarding criminal liability for any violations of that tobacco control legislation?

No

Do you have separate criminal liability provisions in relation to tobacco control (outside of the tobacco control legislation)?

No

Do you have any civil liability measures that are specific to tobacco control?

No

Do you have any general civil liability provisions that could apply to tobacco control?

No

Do you have civil or criminal liability provisions that provide for compensation for adverse health effects and/or for reimbursement of medical, social or other relevant costs?

No

Has any person in your jurisdiction launched any criminal and/or civil liability action, including compensation where appropriate, against any tobacco company in relation to any adverse health effect caused by tobacco use?

No

Have you taken, as appropriate, any legislative, executive, administrative and/or other action against the tobacco industry for full or partial reimbursement of medical, social and other relevant costs related to tobacco use in your jurisdiction?

No

Please provide a brief description of any progress made, as appropriate, in implementing Article 19 (*Liability*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

NA

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Research, surveillance and exchange of information

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

developing and/or promoting research that addresses:

- determinants of tobacco consumption?
- consequences of tobacco consumption?
- social and economic indicators related to tobacco consumption?
- tobacco use among women, with special regard to pregnant women?
- the determinants and consequences of exposure to tobacco smoke?
- identification of effective programmes for the treatment of tobacco dependence?
- identification of alternative livelihoods?
- Other

training and support for all persons engaged in tobacco control activities, including research, implementation and evaluation?

Yes ✓

a national system for epidemiological surveillance of:

- patterns of tobacco consumption?
 - determinants of tobacco consumption?
 - consequences of tobacco consumption?
 - social, economic and health indicators related to tobacco consumption?
 - exposure to tobacco smoke?
 - Other
-

Please list all surveys, including the year of the survey, that you have undertaken in the past.

Global Youth Tobacco Survey (2007; 2013) (2019 completed awaiting analysis); Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (2016), combined STEPS (2016), NOMS (2013) (2018 completed awaiting final dissemination); FSM 2017 High School Rapid Survey

Does your country have any plans to repeat any of the above or to undertake a new tobacco survey within three to five years of your last survey? Please provide details in the space below.

Yes

GYTS in 2019; NOMS - 2019; FSM NCD Hybrid Surveillance Compilation (Pohnpei, Kosrae, Yap completed - awaiting Chuuk scheduled for 2020); Pohnpei High School Rapid Survey (2020)

regional and global exchange of publicly available national:

- scientific, technical, socioeconomic, commercial and legal information?
- information on the practices of the tobacco industry?
information on the cultivation of tobacco?

an updated database of:

- laws and regulations on tobacco control?
- information about the enforcement of laws on tobacco control?
pertinent jurisprudence?

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 20 (*Research, surveillance and exchange of information*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Tobacco Policy Assessment (follow up) in planning for year 2020

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below (e.g. whether you included information on WHO FCTC implementation in your Voluntary National Review (VNR) on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), related to target 3.a).

NA

Please attach the relevant documentation.

D. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE

Pursuant to Article 21.1(c) and in accordance with Article 26, have you either provided or received financial or technical assistance (be it through unilateral, bilateral, regional, subregional or other multilateral channels, including relevant regional and international intergovernmental or nongovernmental organizations and financial and development institutions) for the development and strengthening of multisectoral, comprehensive tobacco control programmes of developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in any of the following areas:

development, transfer and acquisition of technology, knowledge, skills, capacity and expertise related to tobacco control?

Assistance provided	Yes
Assistance received	Yes

provision of technical, scientific, legal and other expertise to establish and strengthen national tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes?

Assistance provided	Yes
Assistance received	Yes

appropriate training or sensitization programmes for appropriate personnel in accordance with Article 12?

Assistance provided	Yes
Assistance received	Yes

provision of the necessary material, equipment and supplies, as well as logistic support, for tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes?

Assistance provided	Yes
Assistance received	Yes

identification of methods for tobacco control, including comprehensive treatment of nicotine addiction?

Assistance provided	No
Assistance received	No

promotion of research to increase the affordability of comprehensive treatment of nicotine addiction?

Assistance provided	No
Assistance received	No

Please identify the Party or Parties from which assistance was received or to which assistance was provided.

All assistances received from WHO Office both from Suva and FCTC Geneva Office and WPRO Office

Please provide information about any assistance provided or received in the space below, including any support received from nongovernmental organizations (please, specify).

Assistances in: Development of Action Plan for Tobacco Control, Advocacy Plan to Policy makers, Cessation trainings, Enforcement trainings from WHO Office in Suva,

If you have not received or provided assistance in any of the aforementioned areas, please identify any financial or technical assistance that may be under consideration, if appropriate.

Although a cessation training was provided, a comprehensive Cessation Package is important to be implemented in FSM.

Have you encouraged relevant regional and international intergovernmental organizations and financial and development institutions in which you are represented to provide financial assistance for developing country Parties and for Parties with economies in transition to assist them in meeting their obligations under the Convention?

Yes ✓

Please provide details in the space below.

The implementation of FCTC is requiring more funding in FSM due to our geography and differences in the four states government settings. The existing financial support from USA Center Diseases Control is not sufficient to cover all the necessary needs to control tobacco use.

E. PRIORITIES AND COMMENTS

What are the priorities for implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in your jurisdiction?

TA to assist in the understanding of the FCTC Guidelines and allocation of funding to support the implementation of the FCTC in FSM.

Have you identified any specific gaps between the resources available and the needs assessed for implementing the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control?

Yes ✓

Please provide details in the space below.

Lack of human resources to support the implementation of the FCTC

Capacity building in the implementation of FCTC

Lack of funding to support the implementation of FCTC

What, if any, are the constraints or barriers, other than lack of resources, you have encountered in implementing the Convention?

Lack of commitment from political arena

General Public view on the danger of tobacco use is less concern compare to communicable diseases

Lack/less understanding

Do you have any of the following products available on your national tobacco market?

- smokeless tobacco products
- water pipe tobacco
- Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)
- Electronic Non-Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENNDS)
- heated tobacco products (HTPs)
- Other

Have you adopted and implemented any policy or regulation that is specific to the following tobacco products?

- smokeless tobacco products
 - water pipe tobacco
 - Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)
 - Electronic Non-Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENNDS)
 - heated tobacco products (HTPs)
 - Other
-

If you have any relevant information related to questions E5 and E6, please provide details in the space below.

The smokeless tobacco in FSM is mainly on Betel Nut chewing with loose cigarettes. there is a gradual influx of vaping usage. Pohnpei and Kosrae State have implemented policies prohibiting the sell, possession and importation of such products. Chuuk and Yap have expressed interest in following suit.

Please provide any other relevant information not covered elsewhere that you consider important.

NA

Your suggestions for further development and revision of the reporting instrument:

Shorten this reporting. When it is too time consuming there is a tendency of losing the energy to provide the relevant responses

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