

Nunavut

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Airborne Hazards

Oct 20: The GN issued a public service announcement warning that breathing in second-hand smoke, even for a short time, can cause health problems and increase the risk of asthma, lung infections, heart disease, and complications during pregnancy. The *Tobacco and Smoking Act* bans smoking, vaping, and cannabis in many public and shared spaces, including vehicles with children under 19 and within 9 metres of building entrances, stairs, ramps, windows, and air intakes.

Action Point: Take 5 steps to [prevent workplace smoking](#) and vaping and avoid fines under smoke-free laws.

Drugs & Alcohol

Oct 31: The Nunavut Department of Health proposed [new regulations](#) that would allow pharmacists to supervise pharmacies remotely under certain conditions. The new rules would also allow nurse practitioners to fully prescribe medications and expand availability of Naloxone, a life-saving medication for opioid overdoses.

Action Point: Many overdose fatalities occur in the workplace. Find out [how to implement a workplace Naloxone Program to](#) prevent opioid overdose deaths at your site.

Workers' Comp

Dec 3: That's the deadline to comment on the WSCC's proposed new Policy 04.16 covering overpayments. The Board of Directors will review the Policy at its March 2026 governance meeting.