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Health Department Renews Grant for Tobacco-Free Coalition of Attala, Leake and Winston Counties

The Mississippi State Department of Health's (MSDH) Office of Tobacco Control has renewed the community tobacco control grant for the Mississippi Tobacco-Free Coalition of Warren & Claiborne Counties.

Monies from the grant are used by the Mississippi Tobacco-Free Coalition to prevent tobacco use, encourage tobacco cessation and eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke among youth and adults in Warren & Claiborne counties.

Each year, Mississippi spends \$719 million on healthcare costs associated with tobacco use. The goal of MSDH's Office of Tobacco Control is to improve the health of all Mississippians through the elimination of tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke.

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