SUBJECT: Let's build a tobacco-free workplace together!

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One of our three main focus areas in the <u>Working for a Healthier Tennessee</u> initiative is **tobacco cessation**. A tobacco-free workplace is a healthier workplace. So whether you're a tobacco user or you've never used it at all, now's the time to commit to making our workplace tobacco-free.

We all know it's tough to quit. That's why we're going to do this together.

So where do we start? If you're a tobacco user, The State Group Insurance Plan provides free <u>tobacco guit aids</u> to members who want to guit.

The Tennessee Tobacco QuitLine is available at 1-800-QUIT-NOW or www.tnquitline.org.

<u>Here4TN</u> has additional tools and resources that will help you quit for good.

Next, whether you use tobacco or not, you can offer to be a "quit buddy" for a co-worker, someone he or she can lean on at work when quitting gets tough. When the urge to use tobacco strikes, it's good to have a buddy to help you resist.

I'm here to help, too. Let me know how you're doing, and if there's anything I can do to support you along the way. We can do this.

Thank you for leading the way to a healthier Tennessee.