The 2006 Surgeon General’s Report:
*The Health Consequences of Involuntary Exposure to Tobacco Smoke*

“The scientific evidence is now indisputable: secondhand smoke is not a mere annoyance. It is a serious health hazard that can lead to disease and premature death in children and nonsmoking adults.”
- U.S. Surgeon General, Vice Admiral Richard H. Carmona, M.D., M.P.H., FACS

- There is No Risk-Free Level of Exposure to Secondhand Smoke
  - The *scientific evidence* that secondhand smoke causes serious diseases, including lung cancer, heart disease, and respiratory illnesses such as bronchitis and asthma, is *massive and conclusive*. There is no longer a scientific controversy or any scientific debate.
  - Breathing even a little secondhand smoke poses a risk to your health.
  - Exposure to secondhand smoke has substantial and immediate adverse effects on the cardiovascular system.
  - Secondhand smoke can cause sudden infant death syndrome and other health consequences in infants and children.
  - Separating smokers from nonsmokers, cleaning the air, and ventilating buildings cannot eliminate secondhand smoke exposure.
  - Smoke free workplace policies are effective in reducing secondhand smoke exposure.
  - Smoke free policies and regulations do not have an adverse economic impact on the hospitality industry.
  - Many millions of Americans, both children and adults, are still exposed to secondhand smoke in their homes and workplaces despite substantial progress in tobacco control.

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