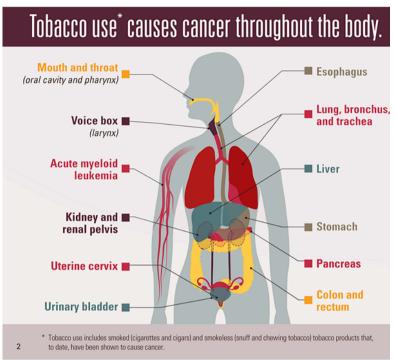
## CHAMPS LIFE LINE

### TOBACCO & ALCOHOL USE



Tobacco use remains the leading preventable cause of death in the US. In 2018, 34.2 million adults were current cigarette smokers. Of these, 75% smoked daily. Smoking causes about 90% of lung cancers. Smokers also have a 2 to 4 times higher risk than non-smokers to get heart disease.

E-cigarettes contain a high dose of nicotine and other harmful products, such as lead. Nicotine is highly addictive and can harm adolescent brain development.

#### According to the CDC,

8 or more alcoholic drinks per week is associated with increased health risks.

#### One drink is:

- 12 ounces of beer.
- 8 ounces of malt liquor,
- 5 ounces of wine, or
- 1.5 ounces of 80-proof distilled spirits or liquor.

Heavy drinking can lead to long-term health risks such as high blood pressure, heart disease, stroke, liver disease, digestive problems and cancer.



Source: cdc.gov/alcohol/factsheets/mens-health.htm; Illustration by Chris Giganti

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- 1. Avoid triggers.
- 2. Get the facts on health risks.
- 3. Be physically active.
- 4. Eat a balanced diet.
- 5. Find alternatives for stress relief.