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On behalf of the National Partnership on Behavioral Health and Tobacco Use, attached is the (updated) comment regarding SAMHSA's decision to combine its N-SSATS and N-MHSS surveys into one. The National Partnership suggests that SAMHSA:

1. Ensure that tobacco-related questions from the N-MHSS and N-SSATS surveys are at the least retained for the N-SUMHSS combined survey.
2. Modify question regarding screening for tobacco use to "screening for use of any tobacco product, which include electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS)"
3. Modify question regarding not permitting smoking to "not permitting use of any tobacco product, which include electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS)"