

1 [Health plans that provide health insurance coverage to San Francisco employees to provide
2 comprehensive smoking cessation benefits.]

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4 **Resolution urging all health plans that provide health insurance coverage to**
5 **employees in the City and County of San Francisco to offer comprehensive smoking**
6 **cessation benefits.**

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8 WHEREAS, San Francisco is a national leader in tobacco control and smoking
9 cessation policies; and

10 WHEREAS, The National Public Health Services recommends that insurance plans
11 provide broad coverage of both counseling and FDA-approved medicines for smoking
12 cessation; and,

13 WHEREAS, The Center for Disease Control asserts tobacco use cessation treatments
14 are the single most cost-effective health insurance benefit; and,

15 WHEREAS, Quitting smoking requires a wide range of treatment programs and
16 counseling to be effective; and,

17 RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors urges that all health plans that provide health
18 insurance coverage to San Francisco employees to provide comprehensive smoking
19 cessation benefits.

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