

Washington state bans sale of flavored electronic cigarettes

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(HealthDay)—Washington has become the fourth state to ban flavored



vaping products, joining Michigan, New York, and Rhode Island, *CBS News* reports.

If the state's health department uses its emergency power, the sale of all flavored electronic cigarettes, including those that contain cannabinoid, will be stopped for 120 days. The ban can be extended after that.

The ban, initiated by Governor Jay Inslee, comes amid a spate of lung infections and deaths from vaping. Washington has had seven such cases. In a similar executive action, Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker has banned all vaping products for four months, *CBS News* reports.

To date, more than 800 people have developed lung injury from vaping and there have been 12 vaping-related deaths reported, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

More information: **CBS News Article**

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