

Officials say death of Montana teenager was vaping-related

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Health officials say a teenager in Montana has died of a lung disease associated with a national outbreak of vaping-related illnesses.

The Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services said Tuesday it was the state's first recorded death connected to e-cigarette use.

Officials declined to release any further details about the youth, citing confidentiality.

Officials said they have identified two other people in the state with vaping-associated lung illnesses.

U.S. [health officials](#) have reported about 1,300 vaping-related illnesses and at least 26 deaths nationwide.

A temporary ban on flavored vaping products goes into effect Oct. 22 in Montana.

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