

# **Bridging the Gap: Research Informing Practice for Healthy Youth Behavior**

## **ImpacTeen: A Policy Research Partnership to Reduce Youth Substance Use**

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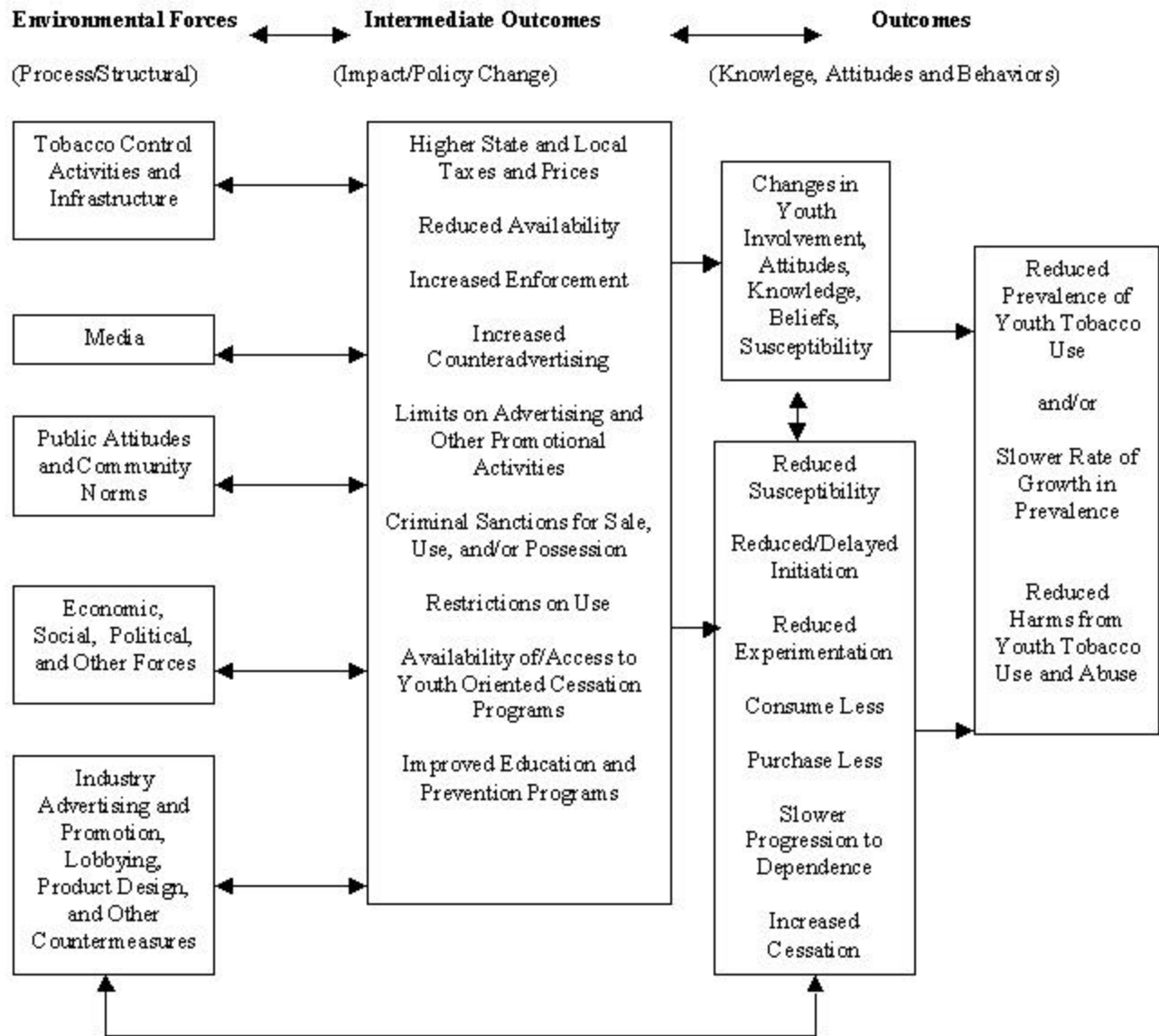
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# Conceptual Framework



# Analyses

- **Variety of analyses using individual databases**
- **Analyses of merged databases:**

## *“Mining the Past”*

- Impact of school characteristics on youth substance use
- Effect of zero tolerance laws on underage drinking and drinking and driving

## Analyses (continued)

- Impact of limits on youth access to tobacco products on youth tobacco use
- Analysis of the determinants of youth marijuana use
- Effects of keg registration and other approaches to reducing underage access to alcohol on youth drinking
- Impact of state tobacco control programs on youth tobacco use

## Analyses

### *“Rapid Response”*

- Impact of Life-Skills Training Curriculum on youth substance use and abuse
- Effects of broad-based v.s. youth-focused tobacco control programs