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Press Release

Awareness days against tobacco June the 9th, 10th and 11th 2021 at the University Hospital Hassan II

As part of the celebration of the World No Tobacco Day, under the theme "Commit to quit smoking during the Covid-19", The Health Ministry has launched a large national awareness campaign on the harmful effects of smoking. Joining this initiative, The University Hospital Hassan II, through its committee of fighting against tobacco, organizes from the 09th to 11th June 2021 awareness days for the benefit of patients, users and health professionals.

It should be noted that, since its creation in 2011, the Anti-Tobacco Committee of the University Hospital Hassan II has continued to work in the fight against tobacco. To his credit, a number of achievements in terms of awareness, training and help with smoking cessation and scientific research, particularly on the prevalence of tobacco in the workplace and actions under the "Tobacco-free hospital" initiative.

Smoking is a real public health problem as a leading cause of preventable death and disease. It is also responsible for **8%** of mortality, mainly linked to cardio-respiratory diseases and cancers.