

WEST VIRGINIA

TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAM

In late 2020, the National LGBT Cancer Network conducted its midterm Needs Assessment to evaluate current status of inclusive best practices for reaching and engaging LGBTQ communities among CDC cancer and tobacco grantee programs. The baseline assessment took place in early 2019 and a final assessment will be conducted in 2022. For more information, please visit: [Cancer-Network.org](https://www.cancer-network.org)

BEST PRACTICE 1: Promote LGBTQ professional safety & leadership in public health



BEST PRACTICE 2: Include LGBTQ community members in policy planning steps



BEST PRACTICE 3: Monitor impact of tobacco on LGBTQ populations



BEST PRACTICE 4: Establish LGBTQ cultural competency standards for statewide programs



BEST PRACTICE 5: Fund community-based programs to help reduce LGBTQ tobacco disparities



BEST PRACTICE 6: Routinely integrate LGBTQ tailored efforts into larger tobacco control wellness campaigns



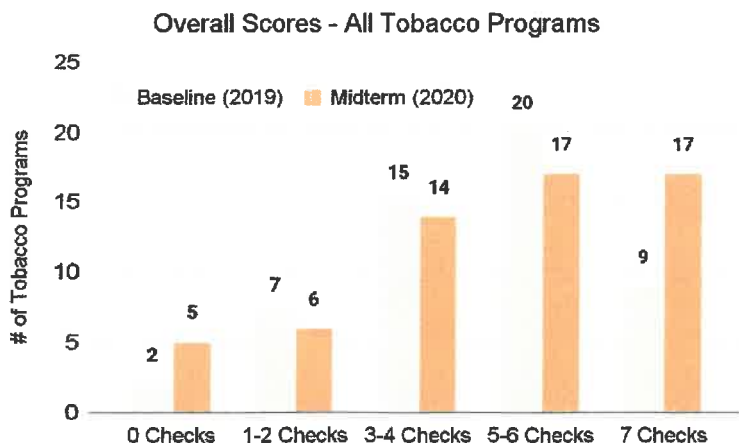
BEST PRACTICE 7: Disseminate findings and lessons learned



SCALE

0 = Non LGBTQ-inclusive 1-2 = Minimally LGBTQ-inclusive 3-4 = Somewhat LGBTQ-inclusive 5-6 = Moderately LGBTQ-inclusive 7 = Highly LGBTQ-inclusive

TOTAL CHECKS:



SUMMARY

West Virginia scored a total of 7 checks, which is a rating of **highly LGBTQ-inclusive practice**. This is an overall **increase** from the baseline assessment in 2019.