



**NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND MENTAL HYGIENE**

Oxiris Barbot, MD
Acting Commissioner

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Wednesday, September 12, 2018
(347) 396-4177**

**STATEMENT FROM ACTING HEALTH COMMISSIONER DR. OXIRIS BARBOT
ON THE FDA COMMISSIONER'S STANCE ON ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES**

“Electronic cigarettes are putting an entire generation at risk: they are addictive, and they may lead to more youth trying cigarettes. We are encouraged to see the FDA taking a stronger stance on e-cigarettes. We hope the FDA will take all of the actions in its power to address the alarming rates of use among youth, including a ban on flavored e-cigarettes.”

###

MEDIA CONTACT: (347) 396-4177
PressOffice@health.nyc.gov