On October 2, 2017, the Canton Board of Health voted unanimously to enact a regulation entitled “Regulation of the Sale of Tobacco and Nicotine Products.” The regulation includes, but is not limited to, a permanent moratorium on the issuance of any new permits to sell tobacco or nicotine products in the Town of Canton, but with the allowance of current permit holders in good standing to renew their tobacco sales permits annually. One additional permit is being made available for one exclusive e-cigarette shop if an applicant applies no later than December 31, 2018, for that permit to sell e-cigarettes exclusively. Prohibitions include all flavored tobacco or nicotine containing products or smokeless tobacco or nicotine products being sold in retail stores, but with some exemptions, as well as stricter penalties and an increase in fines for violations of the regulation. Regulation revisions will go into effect at staggered dates depending on the revised regulation provision beginning with the moratorium on new permits and the revised violation penalties. Products prohibited for sale in retail stores shall be removed from the premises no later than January 1, 2018. For details or a copy of these regulations, please contact the Canton Board of Health at 781-821-5021.