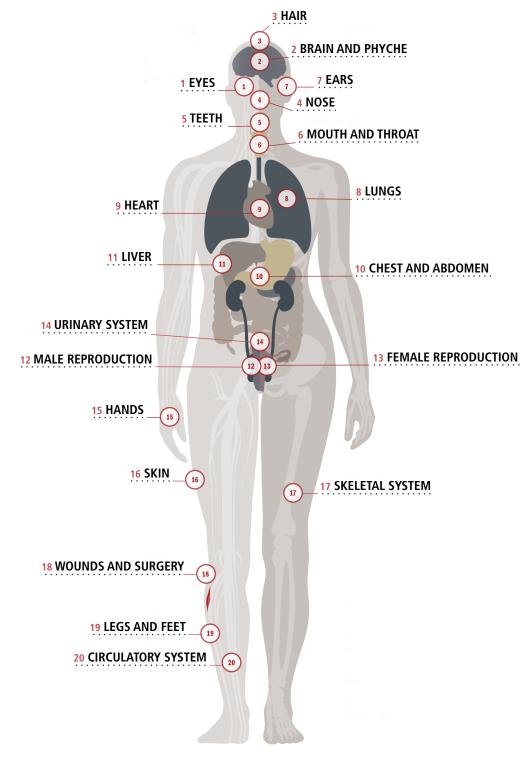
# **Appendix D: Harms from Tobacco**

Tobacco causes disease and disability to almost every organ.



Source: Eriksen, Mackay, Schluger, Gomeshtapeh & Drope (2015, p. 18).

# 1. Eyes

Cataracts Blindness (macular degeneration) Stinging, excessive tearing and blinking

# 2. Brain and Psyche

Stroke (cerebrovascular accident) Addiction/withdrawal Altered brain chemistry Anxiety about tobacco's health effects

# 3. Hair

Odor and discoloration

# 4. Nose

Cancer of nasal cavities and paranasal sinuses Chronic rhinosinusitis Impaired sense of smell

# 5. Teeth

Periodontal disease (gum disease, gingivitis, periodontitis) Loose teeth, tooth loss Root-surface caries, plaque Discoloration and staining

# 6. Mouth and Throat

Cancers of lips, mouth, throat, larynx and pharynx Sore throat Impaired sense of taste Bad breath

7. Ears

Hearing loss Ear infection

# 8. Lungs

Lung, bronchus and tracheal cancer Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and emphysema Chronic bronchitis, respiratory infection (influenza, pneumonia, tuberculosis) Shortness of breath, asthma chronic cough, excessive sputum production

# 9. Heart

Coronary thrombosis (heart attack) Atherosclerosis (damage and occlusion of coronary vasculature)

# 10. Chest & Abdomen

Esophageal cancer Gastric, colon and pancreatic cancer Abdominal aortic aneurysm Peptic ulcer (esophagus, stomach, upper portion of small intestine) Possible increased risk of breast cancer

#### 11. Liver

Liver cancer

### 12. Male Reproduction

Infertility (sperm deformity, loss of motility, reduced number) Impotence Prostate cancer death

### 13. Female Reproduction

Cervical and ovarian cancer premature ovarian failure, early menopause Reduced fertility Painful menstruation

# 14. Urinary System

Bladder, kidney, and ureter cancer

#### 15. Hands

Peripheral vascular disease, poor circulation (cold fingers)

# 16. Skin

Psoriasis Loss of skin tone, wrinkling, premature aging

#### 17. Skeletal System

Osteoporosis Hip fracture Susceptibility to back problems Bone marrow cancer Rheumatoid arthritis

# 18. Wounds and Surgery

Impaired wound healing Poor post surgical recovery Burns from cigarettes and from fires caused by cigarettes

# 19. Legs and Feet

Peripheral vascular disease, cold feet, leg pain and gangrene Deep vein thrombosis

# 20. Circulatory System

Buerger's disease (inflammation of arteries, veins and nerves in the legs) Acute myeloid leukemia

# Immune System

Impaired resistance to infection Possible increased risk of allergic diseases

# Others

Diabetes Sudden death