

CHAPTER 25

EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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AN ACT**CONCERNING CPR TRAINING FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-1-129.5 as follows:

22-1-129.5. Instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automated external defibrillators - guidelines and content standards - definition. (1) EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE STATE IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ADOPT CURRICULUM FOR INSTRUCTION TO STUDENTS IN GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE ON CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND THE USE OF AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR. THE CURRICULUM MUST INCLUDE A TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROGRAM INCLUDED ON THE LIST MAINTAINED BY THE OFFICE OF CARDIAC ARREST MANAGEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-53-202, AND THE INSTRUCTION MUST:

(a) INCORPORATE THE PSYCHOMOTOR SKILLS NECESSARY TO PERFORM CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION; AND

(b) USE AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR.

(2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "PSYCHOMOTOR SKILLS" MEANS SKILLS USING HANDS-ON PRACTICE TO SUPPORT COGNITIVE LEARNING.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-25-104, **add** (3)(c) as follows:

Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.

22-25-104. Colorado comprehensive health education program - role of department of education - recommended curriculum guidelines - allocation of funds - rules. (3) (c) (I) THE GUIDELINES DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION FOR GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE MUST INCLUDE CURRICULUM FOR CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND THE USE OF AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR. THE CURRICULUM MUST INCLUDE A TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROGRAM INCLUDED ON THE LIST MAINTAINED BY THE OFFICE OF CARDIAC ARREST MANAGEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-53-202, AND THE INSTRUCTION MUST:

(A) INCORPORATE THE PSYCHOMOTOR SKILLS NECESSARY TO PERFORM CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION; AND

(B) USE AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR.

(II) ALL SCHOOLS THAT PROVIDE INSTRUCTION TO STUDENTS IN GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO IMPLEMENT THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (3)(c).

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-25-105, **amend** (3)(a) as follows:

22-25-105. Review of local comprehensive health education programs and local student wellness programs - allocation of funds by the state board of education. (3) (a) The state board of education shall establish a review and prioritization process for the allocation of available funds to school districts, boards of cooperative services, and facility schools based upon applications submitted to the department of education and giving due consideration to the guidelines developed pursuant to ~~section 22-25-104 (3)(a)~~ SECTION 22-25-104 (3). Funding may be made available to districts or facility schools to implement portions of a comprehensive health education program or portions of a local student wellness program that are coordinated with health education, according to the needs of the individual school district or facility school. Pursuant to the review and prioritization process, the state board of education shall allocate available funds to the applying school districts, boards of cooperative services, and facility schools based on whether the state board of education finds that a school district, a board of cooperative services, or a facility school has planned or developed a local comprehensive health education program or a local school wellness program that will serve the objectives of this article. Funding for local comprehensive health education programs and local school wellness programs may include, but shall not be limited to, the implementation of training programs, in-service education institutes, and curriculum development programs for staff who shall instruct in comprehensive health education or for staff who shall instruct in or otherwise provide services through student wellness programs that are coordinated with health education. The state board of education shall not allocate funds to school districts, boards of cooperative services, or facility schools pursuant to the provisions of this subsection (3) until the department determines the amount of money that will be available for allocation.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-25-106, **amend** (3) introductory portion as follows:

22-25-106. Local comprehensive health education programs - local student wellness programs - establishment of comprehensive health education advisory councils. (3) In addition to the requirements of ~~section 22-25-104 (3)(b)~~ SECTION 22-25-104(3), each school district and board of cooperative services is encouraged to include instruction in its local comprehensive health education program which:

SECTION 5. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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