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<u>Colorado Revised Statutes Annotated</u> > <u>Title 24 . Government - State (§§ 24-1-101 - 24-115-118)</u> > <u>Principal Departments (Arts. 30 - 36)</u> > <u>Article 33.5 .Public</u> <u>Safety (Pts. 1 - 24)</u> > <u>Part 18 . School Safety Resource Center (§§ 24-33.5-1801 - 24-33.5-1810)</u>

24-33.5-1809. Prevention of child sexual abuse and assault - resource bank - training

(1) The director shall appoint a person to the center to collect and provide materials and to provide training to school personnel, parents, and students regarding preventing child sexual abuse and assault, including materials and training that are specific to preventing sexual abuse and assault of children with developmental disabilities. At a minimum, the appointed person shall:

(a) Research and select instruction modules for professional development for school personnel that may include, but need not be limited to:

(I) Training in preventing, identifying, and responding to child sexual abuse and assault, including information concerning the child abuse reporting hotline system created pursuant to section 26-5-111, C.R.S.; and

(II) Resources to raise the awareness of school personnel and parents regarding child sexual abuse and assault and preventing child sexual abuse and assault;

(b) Provide training for school personnel and parents in preventing, identifying, and responding to child sexual abuse and assault, including using the child abuse reporting hotline system created pursuant to section 26-5-111, C.R.S. The appointed person may

provide training in person or through online presentations.

(c) Research and select model, age-appropriate educational materials designed for children in grades kindergarten through twelve regarding child sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention, which may include, but need not be limited to:

(I) The skills to recognize:

(A) Child sexual abuse and assault;

(B) Boundary violations and unwanted forms of touching and contact; and

(C) Behaviors that an offender uses to groom or desensitize a victim; and

(II) Strategies to:

(A) Promote disclosure;

(B) Reduce self-blame; and

(C) Mobilize bystanders;

(d) Publicize to school districts and public and nonpublic schools the availability of the training and resources for school personnel and parents and the age-appropriate education materials for children; and

(e) Make the training and resources for school personnel and parents and the ageappropriate education materials for children available on the center's website.

(2) The appointed person shall seek to work with appropriate community-based organizations in creating and collecting the materials, training, and curricula regarding awareness and prevention of child sexual abuse and assault. The appointed person may create and collect materials, curricula, and other resources regarding other forms of child maltreatment and make the materials, curricula, and resources available to school districts and public and nonpublic schools.

(3) The person appointed by the director pursuant to this section shall solicit and accept on behalf of the center gifts, grants, and donations to implement this section, as provided in section 24-33.5-1807 (2). Moneys collected pursuant to this subsection (3) shall be transmitted to the state treasurer, who shall credit the moneys to the school safety resource center cash fund created in section 24-33.5-1807. Any moneys received pursuant to this subsection (3) are in addition to appropriations of state moneys to implement this section, and implementing this section is not conditional or dependent on the receipt of gifts, grants, or donations.

(4) As used in this section, "school personnel" includes teachers, administrators, school resource officers, and other employees of school districts and public schools.

History

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