

Performance Note HB0370 - Suicide Prevention and Medical Examiner Provisions

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Agency: State Board of Education

Funding For:

New Services or Benefit

Public Benefit:

Purpose: The purpose of the new program is to amend provisions regarding medical examiner records, to expand the scope of suicide prevention programs in public school districts and charter schools, and to create the Utah Suicide Prevention Workgroup with the goal of reducing the youth suicide rate in Utah. Youth suicide prevention programs shall address bullying and cyberbullying; suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention (for family, students, and faculty); underage drinking of alcohol; methods of strengthening the family; and methods of strengthening a youth's relationships in the school and community.

Services: The services provided are training to teach suicide prevention skills that will reduce suicide risk factors for youth and their families; strategies to promote resiliency among youth; support for individuals impacted by suicide; and support for child and youth suicide prevention programs.

Expected Outcome: The expected outcomes are development and implementation of comprehensive model school suicide prevention and crisis response policies, training, and programs. We anticipate increased connectedness to individuals, family, community and social institutions by creating safe and supportive school and community environments. Another expected outcome is an increase comprehensive data collection and analysis regarding risk and protective factors for youth suicide to guide prevention efforts.

Implementations and Resources: Any additional funding will be passed through to secondary schools to incorporate underage drinking of alcohol, methods of strengthening the family, and methods of strengthening a youth's relationships in the school and community into the school's youth suicide prevention program. Currently, there is \$159,000 ongoing for schools' youth suicide prevention programs.

How: The Utah State Board of Education staff will administer the program and provide the professional development training for school staff. The expectation is to see improvement in wrap-around support services to students at the school level.

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Goal

Title: Increase in suicide prevention student supports.

Description: If additional funds are provided, more schools will be able to support suicide prevention programs in schools with fidelity, hence an increase of student supports by 10%. An annual survey will be given to all secondary schools on their suicide prevention program.

Collection Method: This information will be collected by the Utah State Board of Education staff from self-reported information from the local education agency.

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	2018	2019	2020
Increase in student support provided (%)	0.00	10.00	0.00
Baseline	0.00	0.00	0.00

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