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Effective date: March 22, 2019

ACT SUMMARY

- Stipulates that the in-service training in youth suicide awareness and prevention, which is required of certain public school professionals, must be completed every two years.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Youth suicide awareness and prevention training

The act imposes a cycle of once every two years on the requirement that certain public school professionals complete in-service training in suicide awareness and prevention. That training already is required, effective in 2013, as part of a general in-service training provision; however, prior law did not specify a particular frequency for training in suicide awareness and prevention. This requirement applies to nurses, teachers, counselors, school psychologists, administrators, and any other appropriate personnel employed by a school district, educational service center, community school, or STEM school.¹

* This version updates the effective date.

¹ R.C. 3319.073(D). That section applies to community schools and STEM schools through references in R.C. 3314.03(A)(11)(d) and 3326.11, neither in the act.

Under continuing law, these professionals must complete at least four hours of training every five years after their initial two years of employment in the district, service center, or school. Other topics included are (1) the prevention of child abuse, substance abuse, violence (including human trafficking), harassment, intimidation, and bullying and (2) the promotion of positive youth development. The law does not specify a frequency for these other topics.²

HISTORY

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² R.C. 3319.073(A) to (C).

