
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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D. COSTA, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for school emergency medical
3 training and establishing the School Emergency Medical
4 Training Program.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a chapter to read:

9 CHAPTER 53A

10 SCHOOL EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRAINING

11 Sec.

12 53A01. Definitions.

13 53A02. School Emergency Medical Training Program.

14 § 53A01. Definitions.

15 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
16 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
17 context clearly indicates otherwise:

18 "Bleeding control." The methods and protocols recognized by

1 Stop the Bleed campaign that are used to help stop an individual
2 from bleeding.

3 "Department." The Department of Health of the Commonwealth.

4 "Professional employee." As defined in section 1101(1) of
5 the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public
6 School Code of 1949.

7 "Program." The School Emergency Medical Training Program
8 established under section 53A02(a) (relating to School Emergency
9 Medical Training Program).

10 "School entity." An area vocational-technical school, a
11 charter school, a cyber charter school, an intermediate unit, a
12 nonpublic school or a school district.

13 "Stop the Bleed campaign." The national awareness campaign
14 administered by Federal agencies, nonprofit organizations and
15 corporations to encourage individuals to become trained,
16 equipped and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency.
17 § 53A02. School Emergency Medical Training Program.

18 (a) Establishment.--The School Emergency Medical Training
19 Program is established.

20 (b) Administration.--The program shall be administered by
21 the department for the purposes specified under this section.

22 (c) Grants.--The department shall issue annual grants to a
23 school entity to:

24 (1) Purchase bleeding control equipment.

25 (2) Provide bleeding control training to professional
26 employees, including training on the use of bleeding control
27 equipment purchased under paragraph (1).

28 (d) Application procedures.--The department shall, by
29 regulation, promulgate procedures, rules and forms necessary to
30 implement the program.

1 (e) Application form.--An application shall be made to the
2 department in the form and manner as the department promulgates
3 by regulation.

4 (f) Regulations.--The department shall promulgate
5 regulations to determine the protocols for:

6 (1) Training, including the use of bleeding control bags
7 and application of tourniquets. Training shall be conducted
8 in two to four hour classes. Refresher training shall be
9 offered at least twice a year. The department shall consider
10 utilizing or modeling the training methods used by the Stop
11 the Bleed campaign.

12 (2) The amount and type of equipment and recommended
13 placement of equipment in school entities.

14 (3) Training for individuals conducting the localized
15 training for professional employees.

16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.