MEMORANDUM

To: Indiana Superintendents, Principals, School Counselors, Educators

From: Robin LeClaire, Chief Academic Officer

Date: June 12, 2020

Re: House Enrolled Act (HEA) 1182 – HIV, Fatality Reviews, & Syringe Exchange Program

Background:

House Enrolled Act 1182 (2020) affects numerous parts of the Indiana Code (IC). This guidance pertains to Sections 55 and 56 (IC 20-30-5-12 and IC 20-34-3-17) which take effect July 1, 2020. Schools need to replace the methods for the prevention of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) within the curriculum. This will require collaboration between the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) and local school corporations to develop appropriate HIV instructional materials. Secondly, schools must comply with a records request made by a Suicide and Overdose Fatality Review (SOFR) team.

Guidance:

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) will provide revisions to Indiana’s Academic Standards in order to comply with the requirements of HEA 1182. Revisions to Indiana’s Academic Standards will include the following changes where appropriate:

- Removes acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS); adds human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)
- Removes “carrier”; adds “individual with a communicable disease”
- Removes “spread”; adds “transmission”
- Removes “danger”; adds “serious” and “risk”; or “serious health risk”
- Removes “HIV antibody”; adds “human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)”
- Adds language defining “serious communicable disease”

Schools shall make changes as needed for locally-developed instructional materials.

IDOE will develop HIV instructional materials in partnership with ISDH. HIV instructional materials produced by IDOE shall include that abstinence or refraining from sexual activity outside of a mutually faithful monogamous relationship is the most effective way to prevent the transmission of HIV as a result of sexual activity. Local schools shall include in HIV
instructional materials that abstinence or refraining from sexual activity outside of a mutually faithful monogamous relationship is the most effective way to prevent the transmission of HIV as a result of sexual activity. (IC 20-34-3-17; IC 20-30-5-13)

Finally, schools must comply with a records request made by the SOFR team as outlined under IC 16-49.5-2-8. Schools should develop a standard protocol designed to comply with an SOFR request for records.

This bill was authored by Representative Edward Clere. The full bill text can be found here. Information regarding how to contact your legislators can be found here.

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