

Sexual Abuse Prevention Education

1. **Purpose:** HB 1539, also known as “Erin’s Law,” addresses child sexual abuse prevention in Washington state schools. The bill named the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) as the lead agency tasked with reviewing curricula and assisting the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) with developing a coordinated program for the prevention of child sexual abuse in grades K-12.
2. **Description of services provided:** OSPI conducted a review of 38 sexual abuse prevention curricula and other instructional materials; conducted 4 regional meetings to get stakeholder input regarding sexual abuse prevention in schools; convened a statewide stakeholder workgroup; developed recommendations for school-based K-12 sexual abuse prevention; and created rules for schools that choose to provide sexual abuse prevention instruction (WAC 392-410-150).
3. **Criteria for receiving services and/or grants:** n/a

Beneficiaries in 2018-19 School Year:

of School Districts: 295
 # of Schools: 2,445
 # of Students: 1,105,391
 Other: 00

of OSPI staff associated with this funding (FTEs): 0.5
 # of contractors/other staff associated with this funding: 01

FY 19 Funding: State Appropriation: \$97,000
 Federal Appropriation: \$0
 Other fund sources: \$0
 TOTAL (FY19) \$97,000

4. Are federal or other funds contingent on state funding? If yes, explain. No

5. State funding history:

Fiscal Year	Amount Funded	Actual Expenditures
FY19	97,000	\$89,675

6. Number of beneficiaries (e.g., schools, students, districts) history:

Fiscal Year	# of Districts
FY19	295

Because this work was done with a statewide, K-12 focus, all schools, students and districts benefited from this funding. Nine school districts were directly involved in providing stakeholder feedback during regional meetings and workgroup meetings.

7. **Programmatic changes since inception (if any):** Districts have new resources available for the delivery of sexual abuse prevention education. Statewide professional development is planned for FY 20.
8. **Evaluations of program/major findings:** The development of sexual abuse prevention recommendations for K-12 schools involved a literature review to identify evidence-informed practices.
9. **Major challenges faced by the program:** We have heard some disappointment from stakeholders that sexual abuse prevention is not required for schools. Otherwise, no major challenges.
10. **Future opportunities:** The future holds great promise as we prepare to provide statewide professional development to encourage K-12 sexual abuse prevention programs that are based on the developed recommendations.
11. **Statutory and/or Budget language:**

Budget Proviso: ESSB 6032, Sec. 501 (49) - \$97,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2019 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute House Bill No. 1539 (sexual abuse of students). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2018, the amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

12. **Other relevant information:** A Sexual Abuse Prevention webpage was developed to house information about Erin's Law, the Sexual Abuse Curriculum Review, and the Recommendations for Sexual Abuse Prevention Education in Washington State K-12 Schools: [Sexual Abuse Prevention](#).
13. **List of schools/districts receiving assistance:** See OSPI [website](#).
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