



WHAT IS THE ROLE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN ADOLESCENT REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH?

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LET'S TALK...

- W.V. Code and SBOE Rules
- Health and Counseling Services



WEST VIRGINIA CODE §18-2-9

◉ **Required Courses of Instruction-**
requires health education in grades six through twelve to educate on the prevention, transmission and spread of acquired immune deficiency syndrome and other sexually transmitted diseases. Allows for parents and guardians to examine the course curriculum requirements and materials. The parent or guardian may exempt the child from participation in such instruction in giving written notice to the school principle.

WEST VIRGINIA §18-5-15D

- ◉ **Requires AIDS in-service training programs for all school personnel with encouraged attendance of parents.**

WV SBOE POLICY 2423

◉ Policy 2423-Communicable Disease

- Requires instruction on the principle modes by which communicable diseases, including, but not limited to, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) are prevented, spread and transmitted shall be taught to students as outlined in 126CSR44E West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2520.5, Health Content Standards and Objectives. An opportunity shall be afforded to the parent or guardian of a child subject to instruction in the prevention, transmission and spread of HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases to examine the course curriculum requirements and materials to be used in such instruction. The parent or guardian may exempt such child from participation in such instruction by giving notice to that effect in writing to the school principal as set forth in W. Va. Code §18-2-9.

WV SBOE POLICY 2423

○ **Policy 2423-Communicable Disease**

- An educational in-service on the prevention, transmission and treatment of current communicable diseases shall include, but not limited to, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), shall be provided to all school personnel every two years by the county boards of education, as specified in W. Va. Code §18-2-9 and §18- 5-15d.

WV SBOE POLICY 2520.5

- **Health Content Standards and Objectives for Grades 5-12**
 - This policy defines the content standards (or instructional goals) and objectives for the program of study required by Policy 2510 in health.

HEALTH AND COUNSELING SERVICES

- Basic counseling for questions
- Encouragement to speak with parents
- Provide valid resources and referrals



WHAT ABOUT...

- Informing Parents
- Pregnancy Test
- Transportation to Family Planning Clinics
- Peer Education
- EBIs
- ???????

THANK
YOU!

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