

PROGRAM: Comprehensive School Health Education Demonstration Program
DESCRIPTION:

The purpose of the Comprehensive School Health Education Demonstration Program, established under Article 804 of the Education Law, is to provide comprehensive programs of health instruction and supportive services at the K-6 grade levels that will encourage the adoption of positive health attitudes and behaviors.

A school district and eight boards of cooperative educational services (BOCES) receiving funding under this program work with communities and parents in the development and implementation of comprehensive school health education programs which are consistent with SED's mission and other initiatives aimed at improving school quality.

The services of the Comprehensive School Health and Wellness Regional Centers and the advocacy offices for school health education and services assist students to understand the relationship between personal behaviors and health status. The network assists in the achievement of higher standards and measuring results and building capacity including identifying successful schools and programs, helping parents to become active participants in their children's education, helping schools in school-based planning and decision making, and encouraging collaboration among schools and health and social service agencies in addressing community and school health problems.

The Regional Centers and the advocacy offices for school health education and services assist school districts with teacher inservice training, program assessment, development, implementation, and evaluation of comprehensive school health and wellness programs.

REGENTS GOALS: 1;4 AUTHORITY:

Federal Statute: Federal Regulation:

State Statute: Education Law, Article 804-9 **State Regulation:** 8NYCRR Part 135.6

FUNDING SOURCE(S): State-100%

Total-\$.5m **CONTACT OFFICE:** Office of Comprehensive Health and Pupil Services Team

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