
A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKES APPROPRIATIONS FOR SCHOOL-BASED SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS FOR ADOLESCENTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The use of alcohol and other drugs by Hawaii's
2 youth can impede social and intellectual development and can
3 lead individuals to engage in dangerous activities, such as
4 reckless driving, premature and unprotected sex, and violence.
5 Substance abuse treatment for students helps stop their use and
6 abuse of alcohol and other drugs, reduces criminal behavior,
7 increases school attendance, allows them to remain in school
8 until graduation, and increases the likelihood of their becoming
9 healthy, productive, contributing adults.

10 Part of the core continuum of care needed for adolescents
11 is early identification followed by early treatment.

12 School-based treatment is an effective way to intervene in a
13 timely manner and succeed in avoiding more costly treatment,
14 avoiding school dropouts, and producing functional adults.

15 Adolescent school-based substance abuse treatment programs
16 provide services on a scheduled basis on school campuses for
17 adolescents with substance abuse problems. Professionally



1 directed evaluation, treatment, case management, and recovery
2 services are provided to clients with less problematic substance
3 abuse-related behavior than would be found in a residential or
4 day treatment program. Services are available year-round,
5 during the school year, and through the summer months.
6 School-based programs also provide outreach to students through
7 classroom presentations, networking with teachers and other
8 school personnel, and other appropriate methods.

9 Adolescent school-based substance abuse treatment programs
10 provide:

- 11 (1) Outpatient school-based treatment for a maximum of one
12 hundred ninety-two hours per client per year
13 consisting of face-to-face individual sessions,
14 including screening, assessment, treatment planning,
15 and counseling;
- 16 (2) Group sessions, including process, education, skill
17 building, and recreation groups; and
- 18 (3) Family counseling.

19 Agencies presently contracted by the department of health's
20 alcohol and drug abuse division to provide adolescent
21 school-based substance abuse treatment services are as follows:

- 22 (1) Hina Mauka on Kauai and Oahu;



- 1 (2) The Young Men's Christian Association on Oahu;
2 (3) Aloha House, Inc., and Ohana Makamae, Inc., on Maui;
3 (4) Hale Ho`okupa`a on Molokai; and
4 (5) Big Island Substance Abuse Council on the island of
5 Hawaii.

6 While the department of health provides services that
7 address student alcohol and other drug abuse, programs are not
8 available in all secondary schools. Current resources available
9 for these services provide for programs in all high schools, but
10 not all of the middle and intermediate schools.

11 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to extend
12 adolescent school-based substance abuse treatment programs to
13 all middle and intermediate schools, with priority given to
14 schools with the greatest need.

15 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,817,500 or so much
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 for
18 adolescent school-based substance abuse treatment programs in
19 middle and intermediate schools, with priority given to
20 establishing programs in schools with the greatest need.



1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
2 health for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.



Report Title:

Substance Abuse Treatment Programs; School-based; Adolescents

Description:

Extends adolescent school-based substance abuse treatment programs to all middle and intermediate schools, giving priority to schools with the greatest need. Makes appropriation. (CD1)

