



Substitute House Bill No. 7200

Public Act No. 25-160

AN ACT CONCERNING BLEEDING CONTROL TRAINING AND KITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection may administer a bleeding control trainer qualification program in each district department of health formed pursuant to section 19a-241 of the general statutes. If the department administers such trainer qualification program, such trainer qualification program shall (1) utilize a training model developed by a nonprofit organization that specializes in bleeding control, as amended from time to time, and (2) provide qualification in bleeding control training to allow participants who successfully complete such program to provide bleeding control training to other individuals.

(b) If the department administers the trainer qualification program pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the director of health for each district department of health shall determine the eligibility criteria for participation in such program, and participants shall be members of the following groups within such district: (1) Employees of such health department, (2) employees of youth service bureaus, (3) school employees, as defined in section 10-221o of the general statutes, (4) employees and volunteers of youth-serving organizations, (5) employees and volunteers of operators of youth athletic activities, as

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defined in section 21a-432 of the general statutes, (6) employees of municipal social service agencies, (7) members of paid municipal or volunteer fire departments, (8) members of local police departments, (9) any other municipal employees, and (10) members of local and regional boards of education. The trainer qualification program may be included as part of an in-service training program for school employees provided pursuant to section 10-220a of the general statutes.

(c) Any individual who is currently qualified as a bleeding control trainer through the trainer qualification program administered pursuant to subsection (a) of this section may provide bleeding control training to any member of the public.

(d) The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection may partner with a nonprofit organization that specializes in bleeding control to carry out the provisions of this section.

(e) No fee shall be charged to any individual or member of the public for participating in (1) any trainer qualification program administered pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, or (2) a bleeding control training provided pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section, "basic training", "review training" and "probationary candidate" have the same meanings as provided in section 7-294a of the general statutes.

(b) A police officer or probationary candidate who receives training in bleeding control from an individual who is qualified as a bleeding control trainer through the trainer qualification program administered pursuant to subsection (a) of section 1 of this act shall be given credit for such training toward the basic or review training required by subsection (a) of section 7-294d of the general statutes.

Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section, "bleeding control kit" means a set of materials used to provide first aid

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to a person suffering from serious bleeding or a bleeding emergency, which includes, but need not be limited to, tourniquets, compression bandages, bleeding control bandages, emergency blankets, latex-free gloves, markers, scissors and instructional documents developed by a nonprofit organization that specializes in bleeding control, the United States Department of Defense or a similar agency that details methods to prevent blood loss following a traumatic event.

(b) The Commissioner of Public Health may work with district departments of health formed pursuant to section 19a-241 of the general statutes to install bleeding control kits in public buildings, as defined in section 1-1 of the general statutes, and places of public accommodation, resort or amusement, as defined in section 46a-63 of the general statutes. Any such bleeding control kit that is installed pursuant to this subsection shall be centrally located, clearly visible and easily accessible, and may be placed in a cabinet or case that stores an automatic external defibrillator. Any cabinet or case in which a bleeding control kit is placed pursuant to this subsection shall be clearly marked as containing such kit.

(c) The commissioner may accept donations of bleeding control kits and may utilize such kits to carry out the provisions of subsection (b) of this section.

Governor's Action:
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