

S.261: An relating to mitigating trauma and toxic stress during childhood by strengthening child and family resilience

Section	Senate Version	Rep. Mrowicki Version
Sec. 1. Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consistent family support system • Better coordination of upstream services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build on work of Act 43, including AHS plan due Jan. 15, 2019
Sec. 2. Definitions (33 V.S.A. § 3402)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Toxic stress” • “Trauma-informed” 	[Same]
Sec. 3. Expansion of Support Services in Pediatric Primary Care (33 V.S.A. § 3403)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner of DCF, in collaboration with the PCC network, shall implement program linking pediatric primary care with support services 	[Not included]
Sec. 4. Children of Incarcerated Parents (33 V.S.A. § 3404)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCF & DOC shall make joint referrals as appropriate to children of incarcerated parents to existing support programs in each child’s community 	[Not included]
Sec. 5. Director of Prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishes Dir. of Prevention position for 6 years. Dir. shall have the following responsibilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reduce/eliminate ongoing sources of trauma/toxic stress ○ Strengthen existing programs/establish new programs within AHS ○ Provide advice/support to Sec. of AHS and coordinate communication within AHS’ departments ○ Train AHS employees on AHS policy and post training opportunities for child care providers, afterschool program providers, educators, & HC providers ○ Collaborate with community partners to build consistency between systems that address medical and social service needs ○ Coordinate AHS’ approach to trauma with other similar efforts occurring elsewhere in State government ○ Provide support for & dissemination of educational materials about Building Flourishing Communities ○ Regularly meet with Child and Family Trauma Work Group ○ Ensure AHS and community partners leverage all available federal funds related to preventing/mitigating childhood trauma • Dir. of Prevention shall present progress updates each year between 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishes AHS Director of Trauma-Informed Services that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Manages/administers AHS policy development work ○ Creates culture of recognizing trauma on employees and service recipients ○ Develops strategies to prevent trauma, promote family/prenatal-wellness ○ Provides evidence-based treatment services for individuals with trauma ○ Coordinates with partners inside and outside of State government ○ Implements/coordinates

	<p>2019-2024 to SHW/HHC/HHS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dir. of Prevention to submit written report on 1/15/2024 to SHW/HHC/HHS 	trainings for AHS/ program evaluation
Sec. 6. Coordinated Response to Childhood Trauma with Judicial Branch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Justice and Dir. of Prevention to jointly present action plan to SHW/HHC/HHS re: coordination of efforts in Judicial and Executive Branches by 1.15.2020 	[Not included]
Sec. 7. Trauma-Informed Training for Child Care Providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dir. of Prevention, in consultation with stakeholders, to develop/implement plan to promote access to & training on use of trauma-informed practices that build resilience for employees of child care homes, center-based child care and preschool programs, and afterschool programs • Plan presented by Dir. of Prevention to SHW/HHC/HHS by 1.15.2019 	[Not included]
Sec. 8. Child Care and Community-Based Family Support System; Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dir. of Prevention to develop framework for evaluating workforce, payment streams, and real costs associated with child care system and community-based family support system, incl. most appropriate entity to conduct the evaluation • Framework presented by Dir. of Prevention to SHW/HHC/HHS by 1.5.2019 	[Not included]
Sec. 9. System Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner of Health to determine appropriate methodology for evaluating AHS work related to trauma/toxic stress/resilience, incl. use of RBA measures currently collected by AHS • Commissioner to submit recommended evaluation methodology to Dir. of Prevention and SHW/HHC/HHS by 1.1.2019 • Dir. of Prevention shall implement Commissioner's recommended evaluation methodology 	[Not included]
Sec. 10. Bright Futures Guidelines; Intent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is the General Assembly's intent that the pediatric Bright Futures Guidelines should serve as bridge between clinical and community providers • Guidelines shall to be used as a resource for persons and organizations providing care and support services to children and families and inform Building Flourishing Communities initiative 	[Not included]
Sec. 11. Blueprint for Health; Strategic Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adds new principle that providers should assess trauma/toxic stress to ensure needs of whole patient are addressed and opportunities to build 	[Not included]

(18 V.S.A. § 702)	resilience/community supports are maximized	
Sec. 12. Oversight of Accountable Care organizations (18 V.S.A. § 9382)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New criteria for ACO operating in State: ACO to provide connections to existing community services & incentives to prevent/address impacts of ACEs & other traumas 	[Not included]
Sec. 13. School Nurses; Health-Related Barriers to Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dir. of Prevention shall coordinate with the School Nurse Consultant & AoE to ensure that students' health appraisal forms are completed on an annual basis to help school nurses identify students' health-related barriers to learning 	[Not included]
Sec. 14. Evidence-Based Education and Advertising Fund (33 V.S.A. § 2004a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adds evidence-based and -informed "opioid-related programming conducted for the benefit of children and families" as authorized use of the Evidence-Based Education and Advertising Fund 	[Not included]
Sec. 15. Wellness Program; Advisory Council on Wellness and Comprehensive Health (16 V.S.A. § 136)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> States that Youth Risk Behavior Survey may include questions about ACEs 	[Not included]
Sec. 16. Tiered System of Supports and Educational Support Team (16 V.S.A. § 2902)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiered system of support shall provide professional development as needed to support all staff in implementing the system Directs educational support team to pay particular attention to students who have been exposed to trauma 	[Not included]
Sec. 17. Reports (16 V.S.A. § 2904)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replaces "education support systems" with "multi-tiered system of supports" throughout 	[Not included]
Sec. 18. Appropriation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$119,503 appropriated out of Office of Sec. of HS in FY19 for Dir. of Prevention 	[Not included]
	[Not included]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trauma-Informed Services Coordination Oversight Committee oversees implementation of AHS Act 43 plan; sets outcomes; maps current services; and identifies gaps in services
Sec. 19. Effective Date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> July 1, 2018 	[Same]

