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### [Title 16 : Education](#)

#### [Chapter 023 : Courses Of Study](#)

##### Subchapter 001 : Public Schools Generally

(Cite as: 16 V.S.A. § 909)

- **§ 909. Tobacco use, alcohol and drug abuse prevention education curriculum**

(a) The Secretary, in conjunction with the ~~Health Department Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council, and where appropriate, with the Division of Health Promotion,~~ shall develop a sequential alcohol and drug abuse prevention education curriculum for elementary and secondary schools. The curriculum shall include teaching about the effects and legal consequences of the possession and use of tobacco products.

(b) The Secretary shall:

(1) Provide for pre-service and in-service training programs for school personnel on alcohol and drug abuse prevention and on the effects and legal consequences of the possession and use of tobacco products. At least one training program shall be made available in electronic format. Each superintendent shall determine the content, duration, and frequency of training on issues concerning alcohol and drug abuse for the districts in his or her supervisory union.

(2) Provide teaching materials that are appropriate to the age and learning ability of the students.

(3) Provide technical assistance to the local school districts for implementation of the curriculum.

(4) Encourage coordination of effort with existing community resources.

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### [Title 18: Health](#)

#### [Chapter 94: Division Of Alcohol And Drug Abuse Programs](#)

- ~~§ 4803. Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council; creation; terms; per diem~~

~~(a) The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council is established within the Agency of Human Services to promote the dual purposes of reducing problems arising from alcohol and drug abuse and improving prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery services by advising the Secretary on policy areas that can inform Agency programs.~~

~~(b) The Council shall consist of 12 members:~~

~~(1) the Secretary of Human Services or designee;~~

~~(2) the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee;~~

~~(3) the Commissioner of Mental Health or designee;~~

- ~~(4) the Deputy Commissioner of Health for the Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs;~~
- ~~(5) the Director of the Blueprint for Health or designee;~~
- ~~(6) a representative of an approved provider or preferred provider, appointed by the Governor;~~
- ~~(7) a licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselor, appointed by the Governor;~~
- ~~(8) a representative of hospitals, appointed by the Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems;~~
- ~~(9) an educator involved in substance abuse prevention services, appointed by the Governor;~~
- ~~(10) a youth substance abuse prevention specialist, appointed by the Governor;~~
- ~~(11) a community prevention coalition member, appointed by the Governor; and~~
- ~~(12) a member of the peer community involved in recovery services, appointed by the Governor.~~

~~(c) The term of office of members appointed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be three years.~~

~~(d) The Council membership shall annually elect a member to serve as chair.~~

~~(e) All members shall be voting members.~~

~~(f) At the expiration of the term of an appointed member or in the event of a vacancy during an unexpired term, the new member shall be appointed in the same manner as his or her predecessor. Members of the Council may be reappointed.~~

~~(g)(1) The Council may submit a written report to the House Committee on Human Services and to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare with its findings and any recommendations for legislative action.~~

~~(2) The report shall include the following:~~

~~(A) measurable goals for the State's substance abuse system of care; and~~

~~(B) three to five performance measures that demonstrate the system's results.~~

~~(3) The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d) (expiration of required reports) shall not apply to the report required to be made under this subsection.~~

~~(h) Each member of the Council not otherwise receiving compensation from the State of Vermont or any political subdivision thereof shall be entitled to receive per diem compensation as provided in 32 V.S.A. § 1010(b) for not more than six meetings annually. Each member shall be entitled to his or her actual and necessary expenses.~~

#### ● ~~§ 4804. Administrative support~~

~~The Agency of Human Services shall provide the Council with such administrative support as is necessary for it to accomplish the purposes of this chapter.~~

#### ● ~~§ 4805. Duties~~

~~The Council shall:~~

~~(1) advise the Governor as to the nature and extent of alcohol and drug abuse problems and the programs necessary to understand, prevent, and alleviate those problems;~~

~~(2) make recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly for developing:~~

~~(A) a comprehensive and coordinated system for delivering effective programs, including any appropriate reassignment of responsibility for such programs; and~~

~~(B) a substance abuse system of care that integrates substance abuse services with health care reform initiatives, such as pay for performance methodologies;~~

~~(3) provide for coordination and communication among the regional alcohol and drug abuse councils, State agencies and departments, providers, consumers, consumer advocates, and interested citizens;~~

~~(4) jointly, with the State Board of Education, develop educational and preventive programs;~~

~~(5) assess substance abuse services and service delivery in the State, including the following:~~

~~(A) the effectiveness of existing substance abuse services in Vermont and opportunities for improved treatment; and~~

~~(B) strategies for enhancing the coordination and integration of substance abuse services across the system of care; and~~

~~(6) provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding State policy and programs for individuals experiencing public inebriation.~~