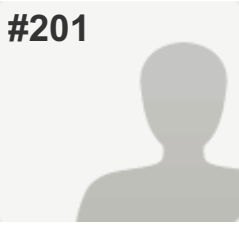


Ending the Epidemic Task Force Recommendation Form

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Q1: OPTIONAL: This recommendation was submitted by (please provide your first and last name, affiliation, and email address)

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Q2: Title of your recommendation Maintain and expand comprehensive sexuality education for K-12

Q3: Please provide a description of your proposed recommendation

NYS law or mandate currently requires grade K-12 Comprehensive Sexuality Education in Schools in NYS. This includes education in HIV/AIDS and other diseases which can be spread through unsafe sexual practices. As part of the Ending the Epidemic Task Force, there still is a need for students of all ages to receive age and developmentally-appropriate comprehensive sexuality education. Schools districts that have been complying with this mandate should continue as in the past. Districts that have not been complying should be provided with technical assistance to implement a curriculum as soon as possible. Ongoing professional development for staff should be part of the plan. This education should also be culturally appropriate, medically accurate, based on sound evidence, and aligned with NYS Health Education Standards and National Sexuality Education Standards.

Q4: For which goal outlined in the Governor's plan to end the epidemic in New York State does this recommendation apply? (Select all that apply)

Other (please specify)
This would be a supportive goal that supports the three listed.

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Q5: This recommendation should be considered by the following Ending the Epidemic Task Force Committee (Select all that apply)

Prevention Committee: Develop recommendations for ensuring the effective implementation of biomedical advances in the prevention of HIV, (such as the use of Truvada as pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)); for ensuring access for those most in need to keep them negative; and for expansion of syringe exchange, expanded partner services, and streamlined HIV testing by further implementing the universal offer of HIV testing in primary care, among others. The Committee will focus on continuing innovative and comprehensive prevention and harm reduction services targeted at key high risk populations, as well as grant-funded services that engage in both secondary and primary prevention.

Q6: Does this recommendation require a change to an existing policy or program, or the creation of a new policy or program?

Unknown

Q7: Would implementation of this recommendation be permitted under current laws or would a statutory change be required?

Permitted under current law

Q8: Is this recommendation something that could feasibly be implemented in the short-term (within the next year) or long-term (within the next three to six years)?

Other (please specify)
this really should be ongoing

Q9: What are the perceived benefits of implementing this recommendation?

Young people and adults who are healthy sexually and who do not put themselves or others in danger of contracting HIV/AIDS through sexual contact, leading to a decrease in the numbers of new cases.

Q10: Are there any concerns with implementing this recommendation that should be considered?

Respondent skipped this question

Q11: What is the estimated cost of implementing this recommendation and how was this estimate calculated?

There should not be significant costs since this is a mandate that is already in place.

Q12: What is the estimated return on investment (ROI) for this recommendation and how was the ROI calculated?

I cannot quantify this other than to say that we will save many dollars in terms of health care and other costs if the number of cases comes down.

Q13: Who are the key individuals/stakeholders who would benefit from this recommendation?

Citizen of New York

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Q14: Are there suggested measures to accompany this recommendation that would assist in monitoring its impact?

Periodic audits of school districts to insure they are delivering this program.

Q15: This recommendation was submitted by one of the following Advocate