

ANNOUNCEMENT: Online Training for Emergency Response Procedures Now Available Through OCM BOCES Health & Safety

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TO: School Superintendents

Good Afternoon,

I am pleased to announce that a new online training program is now available through the OCM BOCES Health, Safety & Risk Management Service.

As you are aware, several amendments were made to the Education Law last year pertaining to emergency management plans. Among the changes are new training requirements as reflected in the revised Commissioner's Regulations 155.17. (Note: Other than items listed below, SED does not detail specific curriculum or duration of training.)

"... district must certify to the commissioner that all staff have undergone annual training by September 15, 2016 and each subsequent September 15 thereafter on the building-level emergency response plan which must include components on violence prevention and mental health, provided further that new employees hired after the start of the school year shall receive such training within 30 days of hire or as part of the district's existing new hire training program, whichever is sooner.

To supplement your efforts to provide this training, we have created a new online training module to provide an overview of: Building Level Emergency Plans, Required Drills, "S.H.E.L.L." Concept, Review of SHELL Response Procedures, Dangerous & Armed Persons, Threats of Violence.

You may find this option very helpful as a make-up alternative for individuals who are not able to attend live in-district training and/or those hired after the start of the year. Additionally, this training can be used to comply with the Sept. 15 deadline in situations where more specific in-district training might occur after Sept. 15.

The online training is available on our website at: <ocmboces.org> <Quick Links> <Health & Safety> <Emergency Response Procedures - Orientation Training>. It is 29 slides and should not require more than 15 - 20 minutes to view. Participants are asked to register their information into our electronic database for record keeping/compliance purposes.

I have attached a direct link which can be shared with your staff and/or embedded on your District website (for best results participants should access link directly from their web browser):

[Emergency Response Procedures - Orientation Training](#)

Please view the presentation and give me your feedback.

As always, we are available to provide in-person training during staff orientation days, faculty meetings and other forums.

To schedule in-person training for opening days, please reach out to your Safety Officer as soon as possible as these dates fill fast.

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