
HOUSE BILL 2101

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By Representatives McCabe, Orwall, Griffey, Hayes, and McDonald

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1 AN ACT Relating to increasing the availability of sexual assault
2 nurse examiners; and creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The office of crime victims advocacy
5 shall develop best practices that local communities may use on a
6 voluntary basis to create mobile sexual assault nurse examiner teams
7 and multidisciplinary teams to serve sexual assault survivors in
8 local communities.

9 (a) When developing the best practices, the office of crime
10 victims advocacy shall consult with:

- 11 (i) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs;
- 12 (ii) The Washington association of prosecuting attorneys;
- 13 (iii) The Washington coalition of sexual assault programs;
- 14 (iv) The Harborview center for sexual assault and traumatic
15 stress;
- 16 (v) The Washington state association of counties;
- 17 (vi) The association of Washington cities; and
- 18 (vii) Other organizations deemed appropriate by the office of
19 crime victims advocacy.

1 (b) The office of crime victims advocacy shall complete the best
2 practices no later than January 1, 2018, and publish them on its web
3 site.

4 (2) The office of crime victims advocacy shall develop strategies
5 to make sexual assault nurse examiner training available to nurses in
6 all regions of the state without requiring the nurses to travel
7 unreasonable distances or incur unreasonable expenses.

8 (a) When developing the strategies, the office of crime victims
9 advocacy shall consult with:

10 (i) The Harborview center for sexual assault and traumatic
11 stress;

12 (ii) The department of health;

13 (iii) The nursing care quality assurance commission;

14 (iv) The Washington state nurses association; and

15 (v) Other organizations deemed appropriate by the office of crime
16 victims advocacy.

17 (b) The office of crime victims advocacy shall report the
18 strategies to the governor and the appropriate committees of the
19 legislature no later than January 1, 2018.

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