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MEMORANDUM NO. 2014-074

TO: School District Superintendents

School Principals

FROM: Bruce Hayes, Ed.S., School Safety Consultant

Support Systems and Resources Division

DATE: May 19, 2014

SUBJECT: Anti-Suicide Training

CALL FOR EXEMPLARY TRAINING PROGRAMS

CHEYENNE - Pursuant to Senate File 0078 (Enrolled Act 31), the Department of Education is in the process of approving programs aimed at reducing or eliminating suicide.

To conduct this effort, it's necessary to review what is currently working well in Wyoming schools. Therefore, the department is requesting that each district determine what anti-suicide programs, if any, it has observed to be effective.

Please email the name of any district-approved anti-suicide program, the provider, and a very brief supporting rationale regarding why the program is effective, to bruce.hayes@wyo.gov by May 30, 2014. (Districts can send in more than one.)

The work of qualifying programs has two parts: 1) What districts see as effective and send in, and 2) Confirmation from an independent review team of specialists. It is anticipated that the process will be done by August 1, 2014.

For questions, please contact Bruce Hayes at <u>bruce.hayes@wyo.gov</u> or call 307-777-6198. Thank you for your hard work.