

CDC 1801 Healthy Schools Grant

Health Education Services and School Health Services Offices



COLORADO
Department of Education

OVERVIEW

In 2008, Colorado received a grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to reduce chronic disease risk factors and improve student health by addressing healthy eating/nutrition, physical education, physical activity, out of school time and chronic disease management for students.

Chronic disease is the leading cause of mortality and morbidity in Colorado. Eight out of 10 deaths in the state are attributed to chronic disease and its associated risk factors. Many of these deaths are preventable and linked to high-risk behaviors established during childhood and adolescence. In Colorado, the burden of chronic disease disproportionately impacts racial/ethnic minorities and lower socioeconomic populations, creating similar health disparities documented in other states, particularly for children and youth.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the grant is to support implementation of the Whole School, Whole Child, Whole Community model through partnerships with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and other statewide partners. This is achieved by providing quality professional development and technical assistance, to reduce chronic disease risk factors and support school health efforts.

The grant funds Colorado local education agencies, including six priority LEAs that receive quality training and assistance that support their school health efforts to reduce health disparities.

The Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Model addresses priorities:

- Health Education
- Physical Education and Physical Activity
- Nutrition Environment and Services
- Health Services
- Counseling Psychological and Social Services
- Social Emotional Climate
- Physical Environment
- Family Engagement
- Community Involvement

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