

**POLICY GOAL 6.4** State law mandates trafficking-specific training on victim-centered investigations and prosecutions for prosecutors.

State <sup>1</sup>	Does state law <i>mandate</i> trafficking-specific training for prosecutors? <sup>2</sup>	If not, does state law <i>authorize</i> trafficking-specific training for prosecutors? <sup>2</sup>
Alabama	No	No
Alaska	No	No
Arizona	No	No
Arkansas	No	Yes
California	No	Yes
Colorado	No	Yes; but contingent on funding
Connecticut	Yes	N/A
Delaware	No	Yes
District of Columbia	No	No
Florida	Yes	N/A
Georgia	No	No
Hawaii	No	No
Idaho	No	No
Illinois	No	Yes
Indiana	No	No
Iowa	No	No
Kansas	No	No
Kentucky	Yes	N/A
Louisiana	No	No
Maine	No	No
Maryland	No	No
Massachusetts	No	No
Michigan	No	Yes
Minnesota	No	Yes
Mississippi	No	Yes

<sup>1</sup> Evaluations of state laws are based on legislation enacted as of August 1, 2021. For more information on the importance of this policy goal, please visit [https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/IssueBrief\\_6.4.pdf](https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/IssueBrief_6.4.pdf).

<sup>2</sup> For purposes of this chart, the term “authorize” encompasses state laws that mandate the *development* of trafficking-specific training, rather than the provision of training, and instances where an outside entity (e.g., a human trafficking task force) is required to provide training but prosecutors are not expressly mandated to receive the training.

State <sup>1</sup>	Does state law <i>mandate</i> trafficking-specific training for prosecutors?	If not, does state law <i>authorize</i> trafficking-specific training for prosecutors? <sup>2</sup>
Missouri	No	No
Montana	No	No
Nebraska	No <sup>3</sup>	No
Nevada	No	No
New Hampshire	No	No
New Jersey	No	Yes
New Mexico	No	No
New York	No	No
North Carolina	No	No
North Dakota	No	Yes; but establishment of the human trafficking commission, the entity responsible for conducting the training, is discretionary, making training contingent on its creation
Ohio	No <sup>4</sup>	No
Oklahoma	No	No
Oregon	No	No
Pennsylvania	No	No
Rhode Island	No	Yes
South Carolina	No	Yes
South Dakota	No	No
Tennessee	Yes	N/A
Texas	No	Yes
Utah	No	No
Vermont	No	No
Virginia	No <sup>5</sup>	No
Washington	No	Yes
West Virginia	No	No
Wisconsin	No	No
Wyoming	No	Yes
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>4 states</b> statutorily <i>mandate</i> trafficking-specific training for prosecutors.	<b>15 other states</b> statutorily <i>authorize</i> trafficking-specific training for prosecutors.

<sup>3</sup> While not statutorily mandated, Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 81-1431 (Training regarding issues in human trafficking; task force; duties) does clarify the legislature’s intent that trafficking-specific training be provided.

<sup>4</sup> While not statutorily mandated, Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4743.07 (Licensing condition – Training in the recognition and handling of human trafficking) does clarify the legislature’s intent that trafficking-specific training be provided.

<sup>5</sup> Although training is not statutorily mandated, Va. Code Ann. § 9.1-102 (Powers and duties of the Board and the Department) does allow the Attorney General to advise prosecutors on trafficking-related prosecutions.