NATIONAL STATE LAW SURVEY

TRAINING FOR CHILD WELFARE AGENCIES

POLICY GOAL 6.1 State law mandates statewide training for child welfare agencies on identification and response to child sex trafficking.

State ¹	Does state law <i>mandate</i> statewide, trafficking- specific training for child welfare agency workers?	If not, does state law <i>authorize</i> statewide, trafficking-specific training for child welfare agency workers? ²
Alabama	No	No
Alaska	No	No
Arizona	No	No
Arkansas	No	No
California	Yes	N/A
Colorado	No	Yes; but contingent on funding
Connecticut	No	Yes
Delaware	No	Yes
District of Columbia	Yes	N/A
Florida	Yes	N/A
Georgia	No	No
Hawaii	No	No
Idaho	No	No
Illinois	No	No
Indiana	No	No
Iowa	No	Yes
Kansas	Yes; but limited to service providers in staff secure facilities	N/A
Kentucky	No	Yes
Louisiana	No	Yes
Maine	No	No
Maryland	No	No
Massachusetts	No	No
Michigan	No	Yes
Minnesota	Yes	N/A

¹ Evaluations of state laws are based on legislation enacted as of August 1, 2022. For more information on the importance of this policy goal, please visit https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/2022-Issue-Briefs-6.1.pdf.

² 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 child welfare agency workers are not expressly mandated to receive the training.

State ¹	Does state law <i>mandate</i> statewide, trafficking-specific training for child welfare agency workers?	If not, does state law <i>authorize</i> statewide, trafficking-specific training for child welfare agency workers? ²
Mississippi	Yes	N/A
Missouri	No	Yes
Montana	No	No
Nebraska	No	No
Nevada	Yes; but limited to staff of specialized housing placements	N/A
New Hampshire	No	No
New Jersey	No	No
New Mexico	No	No
New York	No	Yes
North Carolina	No	Yes
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	No
Oklahoma	Yes	N/A
Oregon	No	No
Pennsylvania	No	No
Rhode Island	No	Yes
South Carolina	No	No
South Dakota	No	No
Tennessee	Yes	N/A
Texas	Yes	N/A
Utah	No	Yes ³
Vermont	No	No
Virginia	No	Yes
Washington	No	No
West Virginia	No	No
Wisconsin	No	No
Wyoming	No	No

³ Although Utah Code Ann. § 80-2-301(2)(b)(ix), (x) (Division Responsibilities) broadly requires the Division of Child and Family Services to provide training for staff and providers involved in the delivery of offered services, training on identification and response to child sex trafficking is not expressly mandated as part of that training requirement. However, trafficking-specific training may be included since the mandate is specific to service providers, presumably on service responses, and the Division offers specialized services to commercially sexually exploited children.

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Totals:	9 states & D.C. statutorily <i>mandate</i> statewide, trafficking-specific training for child welfare agency workers.	14 other states statutorily <i>authorize</i> statewide, trafficking-specific training for child welfare agency workers.