



**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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*STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION*

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
**FROM:** Dr. Julie Fowler, Deputy Superintendent  
Division of College and Career Readiness  
**DATE:** February 17, 2016  
**RE:** Instructional Materials for Health Education

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) through the Office of Standards and Learning will be reviewing district Web links for the presence of posted Comprehensive Health Education instructional content as is required by law in Proviso 1.97.

The 2015-16 General Appropriation Act, Part IB, Section 1-H63 provides the following clarification:

*1.97 (SDE: Health Education Materials) From the funds allocated to each school district, each district shall publish on its website the title and publisher of all health education materials it has approved, adopted, and used in the classroom. If the Department of Education determines that a school district is noncompliant with mandated health education, the department shall withhold one percent of the district's funds allocated in Part 1A, Section 1, XIV - Student Health and Fitness Act until the department determines the district is in compliance.*

District administrative staff responsible for supporting health education instruction will be contacted and asked to complete a survey providing their district's website link to all health education instructional materials currently being used for all grades. The survey can be accessed [online](#). Requested information must be submitted no later than Monday, February 22, 2016. If districts are not compliant, one percent of the funding will be held beginning in March until the SCDE has verified that the title and publisher of all health education materials have been posted on the district's Web page via the URL provided.

If you have questions regarding this information, please contact Dr. Christine Beyer at [cbeyer@ed.sc.gov](mailto:cbeyer@ed.sc.gov), (803) 734-2782. I sincerely appreciate your support and cooperation in helping to administer this legislative proviso.

cc: District Instructional Leaders