

**WAC 246-810-0298 Suicide assessment training standards.** (1) Approved qualifying training in suicide assessment, including screening and referral must be on the department's model list developed in accordance with RCW 43.70.442.

(2) A certified counselor or certified adviser who is an employee of a state or local government employer is exempt from the requirements of this section if they receive a total of at least three hours of training in suicide assessment including screening and referral from their employer every six years.

(3) A certified counselor or certified adviser who is an employee of a licensed or certified behavioral health agency under chapter 71.05 or 71.24 RCW is exempt from the requirements of this section if they receive a total of at least three hours of training in suicide assessment, including screening and referral from their employer every six years.

(4) For purposes of this section, the training may be provided in one three-hour block or shorter training sessions.

(5) A certified counselor or certified adviser that obtained training under the exemptions listed in subsections (2) and (3) of this section may obtain continuing education credit subject to documentation as defined in WAC 246-810-0297.

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