

279.14A Practitioner performance improvement program.

1. The department of education shall establish and implement a voluntary practitioner performance improvement program that shall provide technical assistance to teachers and administrators from each public school district and area education agency. Individuals under contract with a school district may receive technical assistance in accordance with this subsection. The department shall consult with the Iowa state education association, the Iowa association of school boards, the school administrators of Iowa, the professional educators of Iowa, and, as practicable, other entities providing similar programs, in developing the program. At a minimum, the program shall provide administrators with training, including but not limited to, seminars and written materials, relating to the areas of employment policies and procedures, employment documentation, performance evaluations, corrective performance techniques, discipline, termination, and support by qualified individuals for implementation of the program. The program shall not be used to provide consultation or assistance on specific employment situations. Training received by an administrator in accordance with this section shall apply toward an administrator's evaluator approval renewal.

2. The department shall submit an annual report to the chairpersons and ranking members of the house and senate standing education committees summarizing program activities and describing the department's plans for improving or changing the program.

98 Acts, ch 1215, § 42; 98 Acts, ch 1216, §25