

2023 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 204 ENROLLED

An Act

ENTITLED An Act to expand critical incident stress management to health care facility personnel providing emergency services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 34-50-1 be AMENDED:

34-50-1. Terms used in this chapter mean:

- (1) "Critical incident stress," the acute or cumulative psychological stress or trauma that an emergency service provider may experience by providing services during a critical incident, crisis, disaster, or emergency. Critical incident stress is a strong emotional, cognitive, or physical reaction that has the potential to interfere with normal functioning, such as:
 - (a) Physical, mental, or emotional illness;
 - (b) Failure of usual coping mechanisms;
 - (c) Loss of interest in the job or in usual social relationships;
 - (d) Personality changes; or
 - (e) Loss of ability to function;
- (2) "Critical incident stress management," any consultation, incident briefing and debriefing, on-site crisis intervention, counseling, risk assessment, case management services, harm prevention, and referral, provided to an emergency service provider affected by critical incident stress by:
 - (a) Any person designated by this state or a political subdivision of this state; or
 - (b) A health care facility licensed in accordance with chapter 34-12;
- (3) "Critical incident stress management team," any person who is:
 - (a) Designated by this state, a political subdivision of this state, or a health care facility licensed in accordance with chapter 34-12, to provide

- professional critical incident stress management to an emergency service provider affected by critical incident stress; and
- (b) Certified by the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation as a critical incident stress management provider;
- (4) "Peer support team member," any person, who is:
 - (a) A peer of the emergency service provider, designated by this state, a political subdivision of this state, or a health care facility licensed in accordance with chapter 34-12, to provide critical incident stress management services to the provider; and
 - (b) Certified by the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation as a critical incident stress management provider; and
- (5) "Emergency service provider," any person who provides response services during a critical incident, by or on behalf of this state, a political subdivision of this state, or a health care facility that is licensed in accordance with chapter 34-12 and provides emergency medical services.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the: Senate as Bill No. 204		Received at this Executive Office this, 2023 atM.
	Secretary of the Senate	By for the Governor
Attest:	President of the Senate	The attached Act is hereby approved this day of, A.D., 2023
	Secretary of the Senate	Governor STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, SS.
Attest:	Speaker of the House	Office of the Secretary of State Filed, 2023 at o'clockM.
	Chief Clerk	Secretary of State
Senate Bill No. <u>204</u> File No Chapter No		By Asst. Secretary of State