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To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads

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Bleed Control Kits and Training for School Districts

The New Jersey Department of Education, in partnership with University Hospital in Newark, was awarded funding from the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security via the New Jersey Homeland Security Grant Program for a three-year grant program to provide Bleed Control Kits and Bleed Control training to all public school districts. The kits and training are part of the national "Stop the Bleed" campaign designed to encourage people to become trained to help when faced with an emergency involving a victim experiencing blood loss. The campaign notes that bystanders are always the first people on an emergency scene, and action taken within the first five minutes if a person is experiencing severe blood loss can save lives.

The number of kits to be received by each district has been predetermined by a formula based on student enrollment and the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) funding parameters.

To receive the Bleed Control Kits allocated for your district, the chief school administrator must designate *one person* to attend the four-hour **Stop the Bleed for New Jersey Schools** training. The designated person will also be responsible for accepting the kits on behalf of your school district and for signing a receipt acknowledging delivery of the kits. Policies regarding the placement, maintenance and usage of Bleed Control Kits shall be determined by each district.

To expedite the distribution of Bleed Control Kits, trainings scheduled through March 30, 2020 will be limited to the *one designated person from each district*. Then, starting in April 2020 through June 2022, the trainings will be available for any additional school personnel. If a School Safety Specialist attends this training, he/she will be credited with four hours toward their annual training requirement.

<u>Register</u> on the University Hospital Community Training Center webpage by selecting **Stop the Bleed for New Jersey Schools**. Then, click on the date and location of your choice to register for the training. Dates will be periodically added to the calendar and will be offered regionally throughout New Jersey. Check the calendar frequently for updates.

We look forward to bringing this important life-saving training and equipment to each district.

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