142I.12 HELPER TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Initial training; helper.** (a) Before assisting in care, a helper who assists with care must complete a minimum of four hours of training within the previous 12 months. The four hours must include courses on:

(1) reducing the risk of sudden unexpected infant death if the program is licensed to care for infants;

(2) abusive head trauma if the program is licensed to care for children younger than school age; and

(3) reporting suspected maltreatment of children as required under chapter 260E.

(b) The trainings required under paragraph (a) may be combined in a single commissioner-approved course.

(c) A license holder must maintain written or electronic documentation showing that each helper has complied with this subdivision.

Subd. 2. **Annual training; helper.** (a) Each calendar year, a helper who assists in the care of children must receive training on reducing the risk of sudden unexpected infant death if the program is licensed to care for infants, and abusive head trauma if the program is licensed to care for children younger than school age. The trainings under this paragraph may be combined in a single commissioner-approved course and must, at a minimum, address risk factors, methods of risk reduction in child care, and communication with parents regarding risk reduction.

(b) A license holder must maintain documentation showing each helper has complied with this subdivision.

(c) County licensing staff must accept approved training on the helper's learning record in the Develop data system.

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