6-16-1002. Implementation.

(a) Within six (6) months of August 13, 2001, the Department of Health, in consultation with the Department of Education, shall:

(1) Develop a comprehensive set of criteria for establishing a Kids-For-Health program;

(2) Develop a grant program under which school districts may apply for grants to design and implement local Kids-For-Health programs;

(3) Inform all public schools in Arkansas of the availability of funds for Kids-For-Health programs; and

(4) Develop a plan for monitoring and auditing Kids-For-Health programs.

(b) (1) For purposes of this subchapter, "Kids-For-Health program" means an educational program substantially similar to the Kids-For-Health program already operating in Washington County under the sponsorship of the Washington Regional Medical Center.

(2) Each school district may design a Kids-For-Health program appropriate to that school district, but each Kids-For-Health program shall include the study of general health issues, the study of tobacco and drug abuse prevention and cessation, direct student involvement in health-related activities, attention to self-esteem, body systems and functions, nutrition and fitness, hygiene and safety, community health, and pretesting and posttesting to determine the effectiveness of the local program.