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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring the inclusion of basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation training in secondary school health education curricula

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 804-c of the education law, as added by chapter 269 of the laws of 1999, is amended to read as follows:

S 804-c. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction. 1. Instructions regarding cardiopulmonary resuscitation may be offered for voluntary admission as a part of the SECONDARY SCHOOL health education curriculum [in all senior high schools]. In addition to the requirement that all teachers of health education shall be certified to teach health, persons instructing pupils in cardiopulmonary resuscitation shall possess valid certification by an agency offering such certification in the performance of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and in its instruction.

2. The commissioner may prescribe regulations governing such health education courses which shall include instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Such regulations shall in no event prescribe a course of study in cardiopulmonary resuscitation which sets forth standards for instruction of a lesser quality than the requirements of the programs adopted by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.

3. School authorities [that choose to offer such course] OR OFF-SITE ENTITIES PROVIDING SUCH COURSE shall provide the needed facilities, time and place for the instruction set forth herein and shall provide learning aids and curriculum resource materials to support such course of study.

4. AS PART OF THE NEW YORK STATE LEARNING STANDARDS REVIEW INITIATIVE REGARDING HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES THE REGENTS SHALL CONSIDER THE INCLUSION OF CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AS PART OF THE STANDARDS FOR INCLUSION IN CURRICULUM GUIDANCE.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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