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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring the commissioner of health to create a list of long-term care contact information for the NY Connects: Choices for Long Term Care program

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

1 Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section
2 2997-e to read as follows:
3 S 2997-E. PROVISION OF CONTACT INFORMATION RELATING TO LONG TERM CARE.
4 1. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE OFFICE FOR THE
5 AGING, CREATE A LIST OF CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE NY CONNECTS: CHOICES
6 FOR LONG TERM CARE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION EIGHT OF
7 SECTION TWO HUNDRED THREE OF THE ELDER LAW, LOCAL AREA AGENCIES ON
8 AGING, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES, AND LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF
9 HEALTH TO BE ORGANIZED BY COUNTY, PROVIDED THAT IN A CITY WITH A POPU-
10 LATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE, SUCH CONTACT INFORMATION FOR LOCAL AGEN-
11 CIES MAY BE THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION AND NON-EMERGENCY SERVICES CITI-
12 ZEN SERVICE CENTER IN SUCH CITY. THIS LIST SHALL BE UPDATED PERIODICALLY
13 AS NEEDED. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROVIDE SUCH LIST TO HEALTH CARE PRAC-
14 TITIONERS CERTIFIED OR LICENSED UNDER THIS CHAPTER AND, IN CONJUNCTION
15 WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, TO ALL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND
16 HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS LICENSED UNDER THE EDUCATION LAW.
17 2. WHENEVER A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OR PRACTITIONER MAKES A RECOMMENDA-
18 TION REGARDING THE NECESSITY OF LONG TERM CARE SERVICES OR A REFERRAL
19 FOR THE RECEIPT OF LONG TERM CARE SERVICES TO A PATIENT, THE PATIENT OR
20 PATIENT'S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE HEALTH CARE

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

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1 PROVIDER OR PRACTITIONER THE CONTACT INFORMATION FROM THE LIST CREATED
2 PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION THAT CORRESPONDS TO THE
3 PATIENT'S COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OR PROSPECTIVE COUNTY OF RESIDENCE BASED
4 ON THE PREFERENCE OF THE PATIENT.

5 S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall
6 have become a law.