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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 ASSEM-
BLY, 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 INFORMATION BY MEANS OF WHICH TO CONTACT THE NY
6 CONNECTS: CHOICES FOR LONG TERM CARE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO
7 SUBDIVISION EIGHT OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED THREE OF THE ELDER LAW, LOCAL
8 AREA AGENCIES ON AGING, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES, AND LOCAL
9 DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH TO BE ORGANIZED BY COUNTY, PROVIDED THAT IN A CITY
10 WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE, SUCH CONTACT INFORMATION FOR
11 LOCAL AGENCIES MAY BE THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION AND NON-EMERGENCY
12 SERVICES CITIZEN SERVICE CENTER IN SUCH CITY. THIS LIST SHALL BE UPDATED
13 PERIODICALLY AS NEEDED. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROVIDE SUCH LIST TO
14 HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS CERTIFIED OR LICENSED UNDER THIS CHAPTER AND,
15 IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, TO ALL HEALTH CARE
16 PROVIDERS AND HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS LICENSED UNDER THE EDUCATION
17 LAW.
18 2. WHENEVER A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OR PRACTITIONER MAKES A RECOMMENDA-
19 TION REGARDING THE NECESSITY OF LONG TERM CARE SERVICES OR A REFERRAL
20 FOR THE RECEIPT OF LONG TERM CARE SERVICES TO A PATIENT, THE PATIENT OR
21 PATIENT'S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE HEALTH CARE
22 PROVIDER OR PRACTITIONER THE CONTACT INFORMATION FROM THE LIST CREATED
23 PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION THAT CORRESPONDS TO THE

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

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1 PATIENT'S COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OR PROSPECTIVE COUNTY OF RESIDENCE BASED
2 ON THE PREFERENCE OF THE PATIENT.
3 S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall
4 have become a law.