

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

May 15, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. BARRETT, GOTTFRIED -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to providing extended speech, physical or occupational therapy under Medicaid

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Paragraph (h) of subdivision 2 of section 365-a of the
2 social services law, as amended by chapter 220 of the laws of 2011, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (h) speech therapy, and when provided at the direction of a physician
5 or nurse practitioner, physical therapy including related rehabilitative
6 services and occupational therapy; provided, however, that speech therapy,
7 physical therapy and occupational therapy each shall be limited to
8 coverage of twenty visits per year unless the professional at whose
9 direction the therapy or services are provided or the provider of the
10 therapy or services attests to the medical necessity of additional
11 visits; such limitation shall not apply to persons with developmental
12 disabilities or, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
13 contrary, to persons with traumatic brain injury;

14 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
15 it shall have become a law; provided that, effective immediately, the
16 addition, amendment, and/or repeal of any rules and regulations necessary
17 to implement the provisions of this act on its effective date are
18 authorized and directed to be completed on or before such effective
19 date.

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

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