

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

January 5, 2022

Introduced by Sen. HARCKHAM -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to establishing an intensive addiction and medical services integrated services pilot program; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. The mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new section  
2 19.18-d to read as follows:

3 § 19.18-d Intensive addiction and medical services integrated services  
4 pilot program.

5 1. Within the funds appropriated to the office, a pilot program shall  
6 be established to support two three-year demonstration programs that  
7 provide intensive addiction and medical services integrated services to  
8 individuals who have significant addiction and medical issues. One of  
9 the demonstration programs shall be located in a rural area and one  
10 shall be located in an urban setting as determined by the commissioner.  
11 The services provided shall include but not be limited to intensive  
12 physical health care services, addiction counseling for both the indi-  
13 vidual with significant addiction and medical issues and their family,  
14 peer supports, and transportation assistance. Such services shall be  
15 primarily provided in a treatment facility certified by the office or,  
16 as clinically and socially necessitated, in the community or home of the  
17 individual receiving such services. Such funding may also be used to  
18 build a new facility or modify an existing facility for the purposes of  
19 such demonstration programs.

20 2. Not later than June thirtieth, two thousand twenty-four, and annu-  
21 ally thereafter, the commissioner shall provide the governor, the tempo-  
22 rary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the chair of  
23 the senate standing committee on alcoholism and substance abuse, and the  
24 chair of the assembly committee on alcoholism and drug abuse with a  
25 written evaluation of the demonstration programs established pursuant to

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

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subdivision one of this section. Such evaluation shall, at a minimum, address the overall effectiveness of such demonstration programs, identify best practices for services provided under the demonstration programs and any additional services that may be appropriate within each type of program operated, regulated, funded, or approved by the office, address whether continuation or expansion of the pilot program established by subdivision one of this section is recommended, and identify any changes needed in existing medicaid or private insurance reimbursement models. The written evaluation shall be made publicly available on the office's website.

§ 2. This act shall take effect April 1, 2022 and shall expire March 31, 2025 when upon such date the provisions of this act shall be deemed repealed.