

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. SANTABARBARA -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Mental Health

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to reimbursement for  
certain costs and expenses related to the novel coronavirus, COVID-19

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

1 Section 1. The mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new section  
2 13.44 to read as follows:

3 § 13.44 Reimbursement costs and expenses related to novel coronavirus,  
4 COVID-19.

5 The office, department of health and division of the budget shall  
6 authorize voluntary providers of supports and services to individuals  
7 with intellectual and developmental disabilities to bill and be reim-  
8 bursed within thirty days of billing for novel coronavirus, COVID-19  
9 related costs and expenses, including, but not limited to, increased  
10 staffing and personnel costs, personal protective equipment expenses,  
11 and increased residential cost.

12 § 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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